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## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### THE MUNITIONS OUTPUT.

Labour Dilution Necessary.

London, May 18.

In the House of Commons, discussing the engineering strike, Dr. O. Addison, the Minister of Munitions, emphasised the importance of the Munitions Amendment Bill. In view of the tremendous programme of aeroplane engines, guns and shipbuilding it was absolutely necessary to take skilled men from private commercial firms, and the dilution of labour was the only way of maintaining such firms. He stood most firmly by his Bill, but was prepared to discuss the details with the representatives of the Amalgamated Society and whoever they brought, but he declined to receive directly the representatives of the strikers.

### POST-WAR TRADE MATTERS.

German System to be Crushed.

London, May 18.

Reuter's correspondent at Rome says that the Inter-Allied Commercial Conference has opened.

Lord Gainsford, on behalf of the British delegates, emphasised Britain's desire that the resources of the Allies should be co-ordinated.

The Conference approved resolutions relating to trade marks, the application of science industrially, the health of munition workers, the employment of disabled soldiers, a system of police to protect trade after the war, a scheme for an inter-Allied insurance union, and measures to crush the German system of trade with its espionage and corruption.

### THE IRISH QUESTION.

Attitude of Nationalists and Ulsterites.

London, May 18.

Mr. John Redmond, in a letter to Mr. Lloyd George, refuses the proposal of immediate Home Rule exclusive of Ulster, but accepts the alternative Convention.

Sir John B. Lonsdale, on behalf of the Ulster Unionists, undertakes to submit the proposals to the Ulster Council's careful consideration, but, according to the Press Association, the Ulster leaders in the House of Commons stated last night that they would not submit the Convention proposal to the Council nor themselves serve upon such a body.

### GREAT ITALIAN OFFENSIVE.

A Spectacular Victory.

London, May 18.

Reuter's correspondent at the Italian Headquarters states that the Italian advance was highly spectacular, crossing the precipitous Isonzo gorge on narrow bridges, regardless of clouds of shrapnel.

The first line trenches fell immediately, and then the Italians made a steep ascent of Monte Kuk to the Austrians' second line eight hundred feet high, bristling with machine guns.

The battle raged all day and all night till the Italians outflanked and captured the whole position. Monte Kuk's summit, 1,809 feet high, were captured later, but furious counter-attacks on both crests followed. After heavy fighting, the enemy was repulsed and Monte Kuk was definitely won.

### GERMANY SCARED.

Great Anxiety Regarding Post-War Trade.

London, May 18.

The big industrial paper, the *Rheinisch-Westfälische Zeitung*, publishes an article showing a further spread of the scare regarding after-the-war trade, which started in the German banking press, including the *Berliner Tageblatt*, the *Leipziger Anzeiger* and the *Frankfurter Zeitung*.

It seems that its deliberate intention is to prepare the German nation for a surrender of all political claims, if only peace is obtainable on pre-war trade conditions. The article is specially apprehensive regarding the effects of the Imperial Conference, which it dreads far more than the Paris Conference. It says that the establishment of an Imperial Customs Union will be a matter of extreme gravity for Germany as it would, by its weight, draw a number of smaller States into its orbit.

### THE WAR CABINET.

What It Has Meant.

London, May 17.

The *Times*, after describing General Smuts' speech as worthy of a great occasion, comments on his reference to the War Cabinet, saying "certainly the meetings of the past few weeks have marked an immense advance on the Imperial Conferences of past days. They have had, for one thing, the excellent result of establishing the position of India as a partner-nation in the British Commonwealth. General Smuts knows, and no man better, the dangers which lurked in the anomalous relations of the Dominions and India, and he, as much as any statesman in the Empire, must rejoice at the better promise implied by the representation of India at the Imperial Cabinet."

## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### RUSSIAN AFFAIRS.

Restoring Military Discipline.

London, May 18.

Reuter's correspondent at Petrograd says that General Alexeeff, Dragomiroff, Gurko and Brusiloff declare that the Coalition Ministry will restore discipline in the Army, which is enthusiastic over the appointment of M. Kerensky as War Minister.

At a meeting of the Provisional Government and the Executive of the Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates, the Premier, M. Lvoff, declared that the defeat of Russia and her Allies would be a national disaster. Hence the Government was confident that the revolutionary Army would not allow the Germans to be victorious.

[In the event of telegrams arriving too late for insertion on this page they will be found on an Extra.]

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

#### THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

The Ulster View.

London, May 17.

The Ulster Unionists, replying to Mr. Lloyd George, undertake to submit the settlement suggestions to the Ulster Unionist Council for sympathetic consideration.

Mr. Redmond's Reply to Premier.

London, May 17.

Mr. John Redmond, replying to Mr. Lloyd George, says the Nationalists are prepared to recommend the assembling of a Convention, provided Irishmen of all creeds are represented.

#### BRITISH SUCCESS ON STRUMA FRONT.

London, May 17.

A British Salonica official message says: We heavily repulsed two counter-attacks at Kijuri on the Struma front, imprisoning ninety-six.

#### ITALIAN GAINS.

London, May 17.

An Italian official message says: There has been bitter and prolonged fighting between Cucco and Vodice. The enemy repeatedly launched considerable masses against our new positions. All were repulsed. The rocky bastion of Mont Cucco, from height 611 to height 624, remained firmly ours. We appreciably progressed towards the important summit, Height 652, on Vodice. Enemy counter-attacks eastward of Gorizia broke down. We occupied an important height southward of Grazzano and threw back with serious losses a powerful enemy attack on the northern sector of the Carso. The enemy shelled a field hospital at Cervignano there being six victims. We have taken prisoner from the fourteenth to the sixteenth, 4,021, of whom 124 are officers.

#### IN THE WEST.

Capture of Bullecourt Completed.

London, May 17.

Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig says: We completed the capture of Bullecourt to-day, taking sixty prisoners.

Further French Advance.

London, May 18.

A French communique says: We completely re-established our line north of Laffaux Mill. We appreciably advanced east of Croonne and Hill 106, south of Berry-au-Bac, capturing prisoners. Artillery duelling is fairly violent on California Plateau.

#### THE BRITISH TRADE CORPORATION.

London, May 17.

In the House of Commons, Sir Albert H. Stanley stated that the new British Trade Corporation would have a capital of ten millions sterling. It was proposed to raise £4 millions and it was necessary that a million should be subscribed before the prospectus was issued. He had interviewed representative bankers, explained the scheme to them and asked for their support. The banks were practically unanimous in support of the scheme although he could not say that all of them were equally enthusiastic in agreeing to subscribe capital. A number of the larger banks had subscribed toward the million which was necessary in order to launch the scheme. The Government did not propose to subscribe capital or to subsidise the undertaking in any way. He believed the Corporation would serve a very useful purpose.

In the course of the debate on the scheme, he strongly criticised the terms of the Charter and attacked Mr. Chamberlain, who promised that the Government would reconsider the matter in the light of the criticisms made, but he was unable to promise to revise or withdraw the Charter.

#### THE FOOD SITUATION.

London, May 18.

In the House of Lords, Lord Devonport said the voluntary food economy campaign was becoming effective. There was a marked decrease in the general consumption, and particularly of bread, in forty towns, including Birmingham and Leeds. He was hopeful that the voluntary effort would achieve the desired end.

## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### AUSTRALIAN AFFAIRS.

The Queensland Upper House.

Brisbane, May 17.

The Referendum has resulted in the defeat of the proposal to abolish the Queensland Upper House.

Recruiting in Western Australia.

Perth, May 17.

The Recruiting Committee has asked the Premier of West Australia to stipulate recruiting by removing from the civil service single men fit for military service.

The Premier replied sympathising with the proposal but expressing the opinion that the Commonwealth should take the initial action. He promised to communicate with the Federal Government to that effect.

Mr. Hughes and the Army.

Melbourne, May 17.

It is now known that the soldiers' votes were largely cast for Mr. Hughes. The latter in the course of a speech said that this fact was one of the most gratifying features of the recent Commonwealth elections. The Nationalist victory would spur Australian troops to earn fresh laurels.

#### REGARDING THE IMPERIAL WAR CABINET.

London, May 18.

Viscount Curzon, speaking in the House of Lords, made a statement regarding the Imperial War Cabinet similar to that of Mr. Lloyd George.

### BAGDAD'S FALL.

Arab Race's Deliverance from Turkish Tyranny.

From a distinguished authority on the Middle and Near East, Reuter's Agency has received the following views on the effect of the fall of Bagdad:—

The capture of Bagdad, known in the East as the "Queen of Cities," will have a resounding echo not only among the Arabs of Mesopotamia, Hedjaz and E. Syria, but also in Persia, Afghanistan and the adjoining regions of Central Asia, if not farther afield.

To the Persians the taking of Bagdad will be especially welcome, as an omen that Kerbela and Hejef will soon be freed from the heavy hand of the Turk, who last year desecrated their Holy Places containing the shrines of Hussein and Ali, and it may be noted that some 500,000 of the million inhabitants of the Bagdad Provinces are adherents of the Shi'ah or Persian form of the Islamic Faith.

In the beginning of the war the Turks, imitating their German allies' action in Belgium, violated the neutrality of Persia and invaded that country with a view to creating trouble and disorder in Afghanistan and India. Up to some days ago the Turks were in possession of some 30,000 square miles of Persian territory, which has suffered from their destructive and devastating tendencies.

It is to be foreseen that as the result of Russo-British military co-operation the Turks will now be compelled to evacuate Persian soil, while the consequences may well be more disastrous for them.

To the King of Hedjaz, now the ally of the Entente, the extinction of Turkish misrule in Bagdad will be gratifying and heartening in his struggle for Arab freedom from the Ottoman yoke.

From general indications it is now quite clear that the Arab race is beginning not only to awake, but to coalesce. It now seems more than likely that we are on the verge of one of those great Arab intellectual movements which have been turning points in the history of the past both in Asia and in Europe.

For six hundred years it has been the policy of the Turkish tyrants of the Arab people to stimulate tribal, municipal and political feuds, to support one faction against another and thus hold the people in subjection. During this period the lands inhabited by the Arabs—most countries of civilisation, progress

and culture—have become wastes and an agglomeration of ruins.

But the whole situation is now changing, and old religious and tribal feuds are dying down rapidly. In Syria there is a sense of unity and brotherhood among Arab-speaking peoples such as has not existed since Turkish domination was first inflicted on that now unhappy, but once prosperous country.

Two occurrences have tended to promote this feeling of unity. One is Djemal's reign of terror at Damascus, where he executed without mercy the nobles of the members of the princely families, and secondly when the people of Hedjaz proclaimed their independence and prevailed on the Sheriff of Mecca to accept the title of King of the Hedjaz.

Since the proclamation of kingship, King Hussein has formed alliance with the other independent rulers of Arabia, and wherever their writ runs (through territories occupying a space nearly as large as India) the Turk rules no more. In the United States and South America, too, there are Arabs—both Christian and Moslem—who have been driven out of the country by poverty. In America the Arab in every branch of industry and profession has proved himself the moral and intellectual equal of the Caucasian.

Those who look forward to an independent Arabistan are given grounds for hope that these two stirring proofs of Arab valour in Hedjaz and brain-power in the United States may be the two necessary foundations for a state in Asia containing all the elements of progress and equalising anything Arabia, Syria, or Mesopotamia produced in the past.

#### DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Bandman Opera Co.—"Mr. Manhattan," 9.15 p.m.  
Assault-at-Arms on Volunteer Parade Ground.  
Interport Rifle Shooting at King's Park, Kowloon.  
Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
New Hongkong Cinematograph—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.  
New Hongkong Cinematograph—9.15 p.m.  
Monday, May 21.  
Licensing Board—Election of J.P.  
Bandman Opera Co.—"The Merry Widow," 9.15 p.m.

## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### OBITUARY.

The Rajah of Sarawak.

London, May 17.

The death is announced of His Highness Sir Charles Johnson Brooke, G.C.M.G., Rajah of Sarawak.

[Deceased was second Rajah of Sarawak and was born in 1829. In 1840 he joined H.M.'s Navy, but in 1851 resigned to serve his uncle in Sarawak. He was prominent in helping to restore the country to order, and put down piracy and head-hunting. He ruled over a population of 500,000 and a country 46,000 sq. miles in extent.]

### THE SILVER MARKET.

Paucity of Sales from America.

London, May 17.

Messrs. Montagu's report states that the market is steady in tone, but there is no feature of special interest except the continued paucity of sales from America.

There have been a few general orders, but the bulk of the business has been for coinage.

### AMERICAN PROPERTY.

Large Demand for War Insurance.

Nervous citizens or cautious citizens, according to the way one looks at it, can now insure their belongings on the Atlantic shore or their "kyaccpers" in Manhattan against Zeppelin raids and submarine attacks, says the New York *Evening Post*. According to insurance brokers who were interviewed to-day, there are not a few of both kinds, for they report their offices literally swamped with inquiries and applications from property-holders.

There is still considerable confusion and uncertainty, even among insurance men themselves, regarding the extent to which insurance companies may write policies against war risk. This is due, apparently, to the fact that many brokers believed that the Tower-Coffey bill signed by Gov. Whitman on Wednesday, authorised companies in the State to insure against loss occasioned by any hazards incident to war, including, of course, bombardment, explosions, and riots. As a matter of fact, due in all probability to a technical error in its drafting, the bill is confined to loss by bombardment only, bombardment being understood to mean shell-fire from ships or bombs from aircraft. It does not authorise insurance against riots. An amendment to that effect, however, has been placed before the Legislature, and it may be only a question of time before companies will be able to write policies that cover all war risks. Insurance against explosions has been authorised for the past three years.

The rates on this new branch of insurance will be uniform. The companies which are planning to underwrite it are forming a conference in order to avoid cut-throat competition. While the rates will depend to a considerable extent on the location of the property insured, it will range, brokers say, from 35 cents to \$1 a hundred, with the greater part placed at the lower figure. Almost all of the policies contain a clause warranting no cancellation for at least a year from date of underwriting.

Not only are owners of shore-front dwellings hesitating to protect their property from possible bombardment, but owners of storage warehouses, loft-factories, and even big office buildings in the city, are anxious to guard against possible loss from submarine or aircraft attack. Many "lifers" seem to have property damaged from bombardment detached from the main body of the city.



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## GENERAL NEWS.

Admiral Sah's Perplexities.  
Admiral Sir G. P. Sah is sorely  
perplexed, according to Chinese  
newspapers, at the numerous re-  
quests by Chinese merchants for  
the release of detained German  
ships which, they allege, were  
purchased by them before the  
war broke out. He is the more  
perplexed in that the date they  
give of these transactions was  
either one or two days prior to  
the breach of diplomatic rela-  
tions, a very strange coincidence  
if it be true.

Encouragement of Poppy Grow-

ing in Japan.

The Liberal News Agency states  
that for one week, towards the  
end of the current month, in-  
structions will be given at the  
Osaka Sanitary Laboratory in  
poppy growing and opium mak-  
ing by Drs. Shibata and Hidato  
one hundred experts in the Go-  
vernment Newsories in Osaka,  
Kioto and twenty-two profes-  
sors, and private individuals  
who have been engaged in agri-  
cultural pursuits for upwards of  
two years.

Machine Gun Guards.

In order to avoid any misap-  
prehension it ought to be ex-  
plained that the new regiment of  
Machine Gun Guards consists  
exclusively of officers and men of  
the Brigade of Guards who have  
been trained to become specialists  
in machine gun work. It is not  
recruited from the recently  
created Machine Gun Corps. The  
first Guards Brigade Machine  
Gun Company was formed on  
September 5, 1914, and was the  
first Machine Gun Company to be  
recognised as a separate unit.—  
Exchange.

Strike at Amagasaki Match

Factory.

Ninety-five workmen employed  
at the match factory, in the old  
castle enclosure at Amagasaki,  
owned by Mr. Komori Junichi,  
struck work yesterday morning,  
says the Kobe Herald of May 10.  
They complain that Mr. Tanaka  
Kazuma, manager of the factory,  
has been showing partiality, and  
they demand his dismissal. They  
sent two representatives to see  
Mr. Komori. The Amagasaki  
police interceded with the men  
and eventually work was resumed  
on the understanding that the  
charges against the manager  
should be carefully investigated.

Chinese and Beet Sugar.

It is of more than passing in-  
terest to note, observes the Am-  
erican Consul-General, Mr.  
George E. Anderson, in a report  
on the Hongkong sugar trade,  
that the Chinese Government has  
been conducting experiments for  
some time with a view to intro-  
ducing sugar beet culture in  
China. Experiments have been  
greatly interfered with by the  
difficulty of securing seed, which  
is said to have increased in price  
from \$8 to \$58 per bushel, with  
very little to be had at any price;  
but sugar men here, (says Mr.  
Anderson), are of the opinion  
that the day is not very far dis-  
tant when China will produce  
most, if not all, of the sugar re-  
quired for its people and thus  
release a large amount of Java  
and Philippine sugar for use in  
other parts of the world.  
\$2,000,000 for Chinese Soldiers' Pay.

The Peking Government has  
received a telegram from General  
Lo Pei-chin, former Military Go-  
vernor of Szechwan, stating that  
he needs at once \$2,000,000, to  
pay his soldiers. He first  
approached the Financial Bureau  
of the Province of Szechwan for  
the amount but he failed to get  
any money therefrom. Hence his  
telegram to the Central Govern-  
ment. It is said that the Govern-  
ment will probably not comply  
with the request of General Lo.  
Unfavourable comments have  
been made on the recent conduct  
of General Lo in Szechwan. He  
is considered a member of the  
Kwomin Tang and is working  
hard to secure the control of that  
province for his party. The  
telegram from Chengtu by Reuter  
regarding the causes of the  
recent fighting in Szechwan is  
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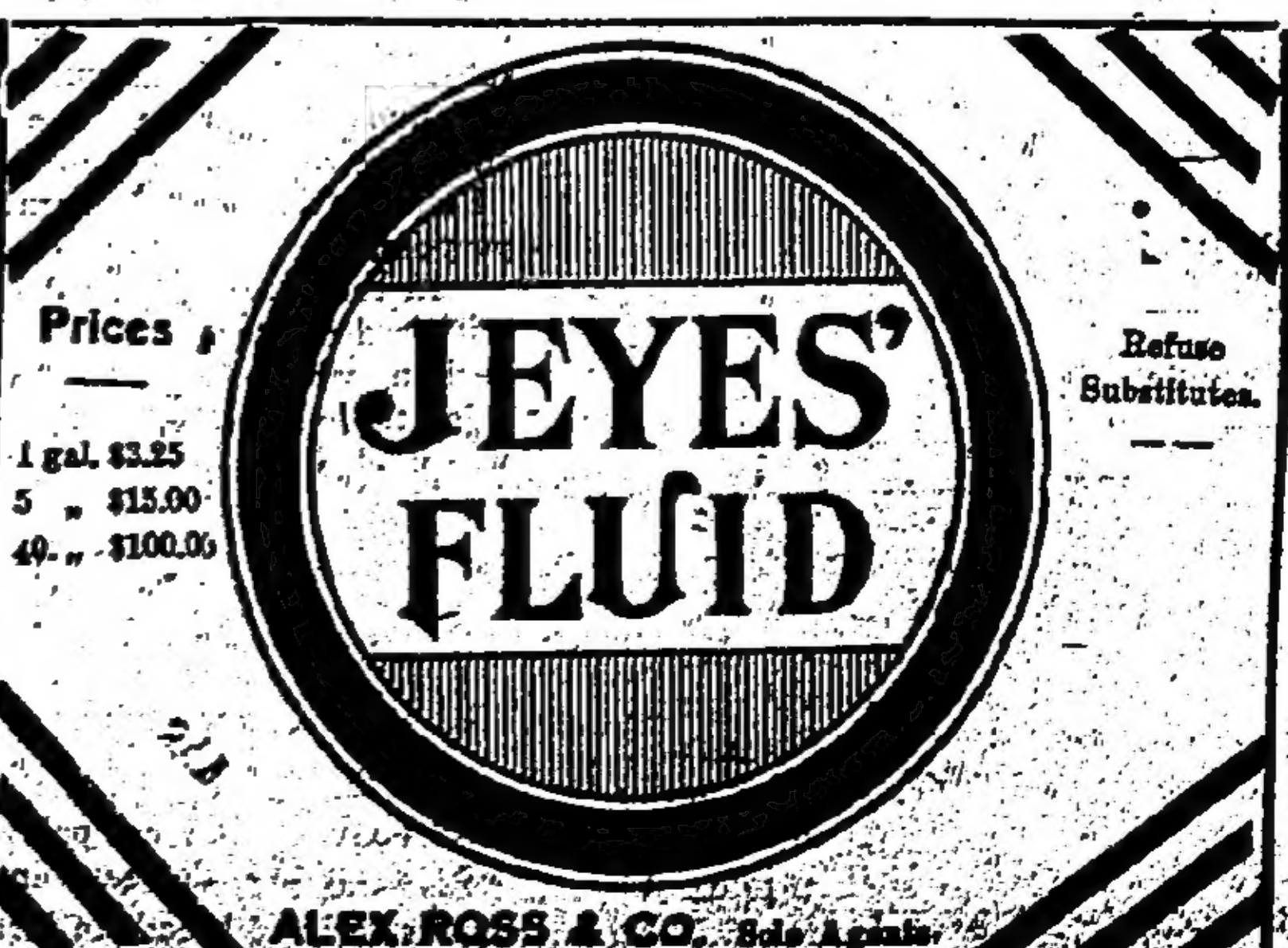
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## GENERAL NEWS.

**Rough on the Mongols.**  
Professor L. W. Lyde, at the Society of Arts, London, said that Germany was not "European" at all. The Crown Prince had an oblique Mongol eye, and it was always a puzzle to him why the Crown Prince should wear such a moustache, which called attention to it. It showed what stupid people the Germans were.

**"A Deadly Poison."**  
An ingenious statistician has calculated that "in spite of the urgent appeals to our patriotism, insistent demands not to eat too much potatoes, or too much sugar, requests to wear old clothes, &c., the people of the British Isles spent during 1916 the enormous sum of \$84,630,000 over a weed which contains one of the most deadly poisons in existence, is not a food, is dangerous as a medicine, injuriously affects the heart, weakens the nerves, dulls the hearing, destroys the eyesight, injures the lungs, brings on consumption, and is doing enormous injury all round."

**Through Sweden.**  
According to statistics compiled by the Swedish postal authorities, during the years 1915 and 1916 5,600,000 parcels were forwarded through Sweden from Russia to Germany for prisoners, whereas the number despatched from Germany to Russia through Sweden was only 500,000; and while 1,554,000 money orders, worth nearly \$1,250,000 were sent from Russia to Germany, the number sent from Germany to Russia and Japan was only 184,000, worth about \$100,000. It is estimated that Sweden has expended \$300,000 on this work and on carriage to prisoners of prisoners, the latter being transported by the Swedish railways free of charge.

**New Japanese Men-of-War.**  
The collection of materials for building the battleship Nagato (32,000 tons displacement) at the Kure Arsenal, and the fast battle cruisers Tetsu and Tetsu (each 37,000 tons) at Yokosuka and Sasebo having been completed, the formal order to start work will be issued in a few days. The first class torpedo destroyers, Amatsukaze, Tokitsukaze, Lookaze and Hamakaze and the second class destroyers Momo, Yuzuki, Kasumi and Hinoki, built at Kure, Sasebo, and Maizuru Naval Arsenal and the Kawanishi and Mitsu Bishi Dockyards, on the lines approved at the last but one session of the Diet, have been completed and are now duly attached to the Torpedo Flotilla.—*Kobe Herald.*

**Indian Defence.**  
The numerical strength of the new Defence Force is not yet ascertainable, but it is quite possible, says the *Pioneer*, that it may not prove quite so great as was originally estimated owing to the presence on the volunteer rolls of a number of members whose material ardour was more marked than their physical capacity. There is, however, every reason to believe that when the period of training has been completed India will possess a valuable body of citizen soldiers. Drilling is now in full swing in many districts and the cheerfulness with which men of all classes have responded to the call of duty is most admirable. In Simla parades are taking place on the Ridge near the Church, where Secretariat officials receive instructions in the art of forming fours and are lectured on the importance of regular and thorough ablutions and the military objections to flowing locks.

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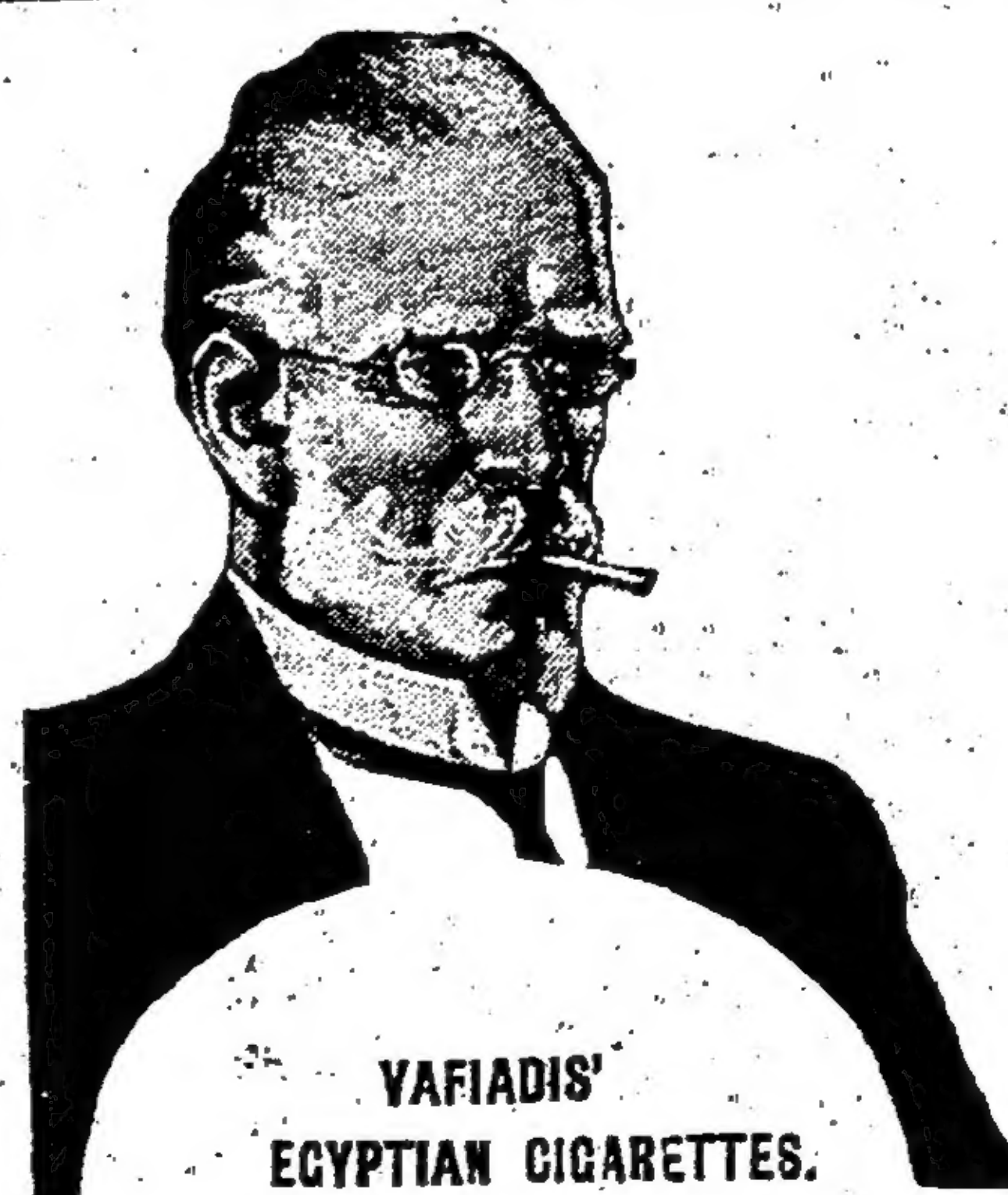
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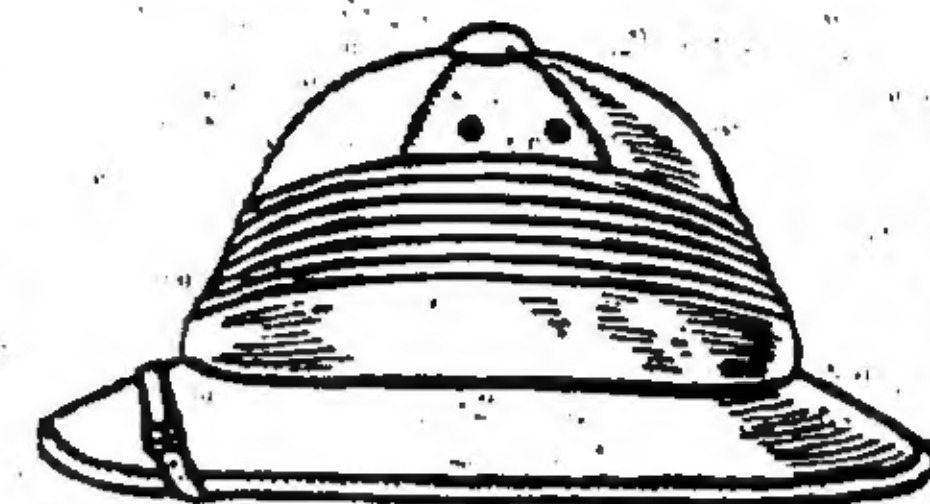
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## The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1917.

### THE IRISH QUESTION.

If Sir Edward Carson and his Orange adherents can be persuaded to hold their tongues for five minutes, it really looks as though there might be some hope of the Government's at last lacking the difficulties of Ireland. It will be seen from yesterday morning's and last night's cables that Mr. Lloyd George has come forward with a scheme that provides for the establishment of an Irish Parliament, which will exclude the Ulster counties, "subject to re-consideration by Parliament after five years." From the day on which Mr. Gladstone, in 1882, began his Home Rule campaign, the obvious answer was "Let us try it." And, being obvious, we never have tried it. Instead, we have wasted five and thirty years' talk in proving what a terrible thing Home Rule is—although no one has yet seen it in action in Ireland.

It was clear enough, shortly before the war, that "something would have to be done," the Radicals had promised Home Rule, and had got returned to Parliament on the strength of that promise; they had not fulfilled it—and naturally the Irish were perplexed, and wondered what manner of politicians they had fallen among. At the first sign of the Government's willingness to do something towards keeping its word, we find Sir Edward Carson acting the buffoon in Ulster, drilling men with dummy rifles, taking the salute as though he were at least a field marshal, and incidentally paving the way for Heaven only knew what future trouble. The outbreak of war certainly put an end to those difficulties; but only for the moment. While thousands of gallant Irishmen and other thousands of gallant Ulstermen were fighting side by side in the trenches, there were still other thousands of both left behind to brood, and to watch each other's movements. We know, alas, what the Nationalists' brooding led to; and we want nothing in the way of a repetition. In order to ensure peace in Ireland we must have not talk, but action. There has been talk enough to last the world the rest of its lifetime, and both Ireland and the Empire are asking for something substantial.

Everyone knows that the Nationalists enormously outnumber the Orange party in Ireland. Everyone knows, also, that the Nationalists have never yet "had a show." For many years a large Catholic population was ruled by a handful of Protestants, who could say the last word on every subject, and who allowed the Irish no voice whatever in their own Government. This was altered, and most of the disabilities were gradually removed, albeit that handful of Protestants still cherished the idea that they had a right to the first voice in all matters affecting the country—despite the fact that only a tiny percentage of them were of real Irish descent. Now since the Orange party has ruled the roost for so long, surely there is no harm in giving the Nationalists their turn. The new Parliament will not handle the affairs of the Ulsterites, who will still, presumably, be subject to their own Members at Westminster. If they are not satisfied with the arrangement, their remedy would appear to lie in a return to their native Scotland or North of England. Ireland has done too much for the Empire, in this war as in others, to deserve anything in the shape of cold neglect. Let her have her chance. It is quite on the cards that the new Parliament may never get through the stipulated five years; that, long before the expiration of that time, the Irish may feel that they would, after all, be better governed from Westminster. Make no mistake; they will have had their opportunity; they will have had something more or less new to them—perfect justice; and they will never again be able to cast it up against the Empire that it refused them a chance to better themselves. In a very few years they will know whether a local administration can do more towards remedying the poverty of the country than an administration directed from London. One thing is certain: the Irish could hardly be worse off than they are under the present system.

### Affairs in Russia.

It is distinctly reassuring to know that the situation in Russia has taken a decided turn for the better, as is indicated by yesterday's telegram stating that agreement has been reached between the Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates and the Government. At one time it certainly looked as though the Delegates, intoxicated by the rapid consummation of the overthrow of absolutism, intended taking no heed whatsoever of the Provisional Government, but were bent on getting the control of affairs in to their own hands, no matter whether the step meant anarchy or not. Reconciliation seemed entirely out of the question. Now, however, they appear to have come to a realisation of the fact that the provoking of internal discord is just what the Germans have most been hoping for. Hence the closing up of ranks and the presenting of a united front to the arch-schemers of Europe. That alone can save Russia, as it alone can save the Allies as a whole. When the Russian Revolution first broke out, there was an inclination in some quarters to think that all henceforth would be smooth sailing—that, in fact, the impossible had happened. Then the truth dawned that violent changes are not so easily effected as all that, and, accompanying the revelation came the reaction of pessimism.

### A Firm Stand

The situation has been grave; it must be admitted, but is it not possible that we have been reading the worst into the news from Petrograd? The Delegates have taken up attitudes which have appeared a little disheartening and sometimes puzzling, but on the prime issue of the continuance of the war they have been in no sense ambiguous. Their appeal to the Army proved that. In that appeal they urged their brethren in the trenches not to renounce the offensive, but to fight for liberty and to fear the enemy's traps of fraternisation. "A separate peace," they declared, "is an impossible thing," adding their opinion that if German Imperialism were to defeat the Western Allies, "it will turn on us, seize the country and enslave the Russians." There they revealed a true appreciation of the situation. And their reconciliation with the Government gives promise of leading to an early resumption of effective warfare against the common foe of all civilised nations.

### The Italian Offensive.

Another of our Allies concerning whom there has been a tendency to think perhaps a little unkindly is Italy, who has now, however, come prominently into the picture again after many months of comparative silence. It is evident from the telegrams that the new offensive against the Austrians is a big and judiciously conceived movement. Our Allies have started out on a thrust over a sixty-mile front, and the news already to hand shows that they are meeting with most encouraging success. The armchair critic, who always knows what should be done far better than the biggest military brains ever directing a campaign, has probably overlooked two essential factors in contemplating the operations on the Italian Front—first, the tremendous physical difficulties encountered, and, secondly, the aspect of strategy. It is conceded by those who know that this sphere of battle presents obstacles unknown on the other fronts. As to strategy, the seeming inactivity of the Italians has possibly encouraged the enemy to slacken his efforts and to draw away considerable forces for use in other spheres. If so, the Austrians will probably suffer the penalty. Anyway, the Italian thrust seems to have been well-timed. From it we look for fruitful results.

### Chang Fun Now Favours War.

General Chang Fun, Tachan of Anhwei, has now completely changed his opinion respecting the declaration of war upon Germany. He too advocates that China should not demand conditions from the Entente Powers, but should take the "third step," without further delay. When the news that the Government had submitted the War Bill to Parliament reached him he hastened to the Capital to see it passed.

### DAY BY DAY.

**Beware of Entrance to a Quarrel.** BUT BEING IN, BEAT THE OPPOSED MAY BEWARE OF THEM.—Hamlet.

**To-morrow's Anniversary.** To-morrow is the 11th anniversary of the birth of John Stuart Mill.

**The Dollar.** The opening rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 2s. 4.11/16d.

**Exempted.** The Constitutional Reform Association of Hongkong has been exempted from registration under the Societies Ordinance.

**Kailash Output.** The total output of the Kailash Mining Administration's mines for the week ending May 5, amounted to 67,623 tons and the sales during the period to 59,264 tons.

**Sanitary Board Secretary.** His Excellency the Governor appointed Mr. Thomas William Ainsworth to act as Secretary to the Sanitary Board, with effect from the 19th instant and until further notice.

**Criminal Sessions.** His Honour the Chief Justice has ordered that the next Criminal Sessions for the despatch of the business of the Court shall be held on Monday, the 21st inst., at 10 a.m.

**Government Analyst.** His Excellency the Governor has, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, appointed Mr. Ernest Roadley Dwyer to be Analyst, Medical Department, with effect from January 1, 1917.

**Cinema Attraction.** The Bijou Theatre has a very attractive film, to-night entitled "La Phalene," in eight reels. This drama very much resembles the well-known film "The Lady of the Camellias," which was a great attraction when screened last year.

**Publican's Application.** Application is being made by William H. Ellerman for a publican's licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors at the premises No. 2 Pak-Sia Wan, Shau Ki Wan Road, under the sign "North Point Hotel."

**The Black List.** The list of persons and bodies of persons, incorporated or unincorporated, with whom trading is prohibited by the Trading with the Enemy (Statutory List) Proclamation has been amended by the removal therefrom of all persons and bodies of persons in Japan.

**Import Prohibitions.** It is notified for general information that by a proclamation issued on May 10, 1917, the importation of the following articles into the United Kingdom was prohibited:—Gum copal, gum kauri, manufactures of rubber, wild animals. The proclamation will be gazetted when it is received.

**Kowloon Theft.** A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with stealing two china cups, the property of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company. Mr. R. Packham, on behalf of the Company, volunteered the information that things were a little better since the watchmen at the gates had been strengthened. Defendant was sent to prison for a month.

### BANDMAN OPERA COMPANY.

The repeat performance of "High Jinks" by the Bandman Opera Company at the Theatre Royal last night was deeply enjoyed by quite a good sized audience. All the principals were in happy mood, and the piece went with delightful vim from beginning to end. The music which runs through the play is particularly bright and melodious, and the chorus as well as the soloists made the most of the haunting refrains with which it abounds. All told, it was a very entertaining evening's enjoyment which the Company presented.

To-night "Mr. Manhattan," which created such a favourable impression on the occasion of the Company's former visit, is to be staged.

### FOR WAR PURPOSES.

Addition of 7 Per Cent. in Hongkong Rates.

The following Bill, which it is proposed to introduce at the next meeting of the Legislative Council, is published in the Gazette for general information:—  
A Bill Intituled an Ordinance to provide for a temporary increase in the rates for the special purpose of increasing the contributions of the Colony to His Majesty's Government towards the expenses of the present war.

Be it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Rating (Special War Rate) Ordinance, 1917, and shall be read and construed as one with the Rating Ordinance, 1901, hereinafter called the principal Ordinance, and with the Rating Amendment Ordinance, 1917.

2. In addition to the rates payable under the principal Ordinance, there shall be payable on the current valuation of every tenement in the places specified in the schedule hereto a special war rate of seven per centum per annum.

3.—(1.) The said special war rate shall begin to be payable from the 1st July, 1917, and shall remain payable until the end of the quarter during which the present war shall have come to an end.

(2.) If any question arise as to the date on which the present war shall have come to an end and the decision of the Governor in Council as to such date shall be final.

(3.) The said special war rate shall be recoverable by the Treasurer at any time after it has become due, whether the present war shall have come to an end or not.

4. Notwithstanding anything contained in section 33 of the principal Ordinance, the said special war rate shall, as between the owner and the occupier of any tenement, be borne by the occupier; whether there be any agreement in existence at the commencement of this Ordinance or not under which the owner of any tenement is, as between him and the occupier, liable for rates generally.

5. Notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Ordinance, if any question arise as to whether any tenement is included in a place specified in the schedule hereto, the decision of the Governor in Council shall be final.

6. It shall be lawful for the Governor in Council to alter the schedule hereto by the addition thereto or removal therefrom of any places, and upon such alteration to fix the date upon which the special war rate shall begin to be payable, or, as to the case may be, shall cease to be payable, in respect of the tenements affected.

7. The revenue collected by means of the said special war rate shall be placed at the disposal of His Majesty's Government for the prosecution of the present war.

8. The revenue collected by means of the said special war rate shall be deducted from the Colonial Revenues before the calculation of the sums payable to His Majesty's Government under the Defence Contribution Ordinance, 1901.

### Schedule.

Places in which the special war rate will be payable:—City of Victoria, Hill District, Wongnei-chung Road, Broadwood Road, Sai Wan Ho, Shaukiwan East, Shaukiwan West, Shaukiwan Road, Tung Lo Wan, Whitfield, North Point, Causeway Bay, San Tuen, Tai Hang, Aberdeen, Wongneichung, Quarry Bay, Apichau, Deep Water Bay, Fui Lu, Pak Shui Wan, Pokfulam, Tsat Tsz Mui, Kowloon Point, Yau-mui, Hangham, Mongkok-tai, Kowloon City Road, Hok Uo, Tai Kok Tsui, Pak Tsan Heung, Tok-sawan, Matanwei, Homantin, Matsinkok, Matsuehung, Mong-kai New Kowloon.

The object of this Bill is to impose a special war rate of 7 per cent, in addition to the ordinary rates, for the purpose of providing an additional contribution to be paid by the Colony to His Majesty's Government towards the expenses of the war. The whole of the revenue collected by means of this rate will be so paid. The outlying villages are excluded from the scheme.

### 1892.

#### HONGKONG TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

(Compiled from the "Hongkong Telegraph" files for the week ending May 19, 1892.)

**The Dollar.** May 19.—"The rate of the dollar on demand to-day is 2/0 1/2."

**The "Telegraph's" Lead.** May 13.—"The suggestion that all cases now tried by the Harbour Master in his capacity as Marine Magistrate, excepting purely maritime cases, such as shipwrecks and collisions, should be transferred to the Police Court, did not emanate from the Chamber of Commerce, but from the Hongkong Telegraph. In this, as in many other instances, the Chamber availed itself of our ideas."

**The Sanitary Board.** May 13.—"The Sanitary Board met this afternoon, when the principal subject discussed was the position of Mr. Ladds. It appears that nothing interferes with the employment of Mr. Ladds as consulting veterinary surgeon by everybody in the colony, in addition to the office he holds under the Government; so that the Dairy Farm in engaging him did not obtain any unfair monopoly. A full report of the meeting is held over until to-morrow, and if the members of the Sanitary Board are oppressed by a burning desire to be reported in the Telegraph on 'the same day on which they exhibit, they must conclude their meetings before our publishing time.'"

**Off for Good.** May 14.—"Sound the life and cry the slogan and bring our secondhand bagpipes so that we can tune up 'Lochaber no more!'" The great "Toch" of that ilk and of Tai Koo will shake the dust of Hongkong off his well developed toes within the next few days for good. We don't know whether it will be most for his good or the colony's, but there is a mere matter of detail. However, we will lay ourselves out, and requisition the "Pote," the Office Goat and the other geniuses of our staff, in order to give Toch of Tai Koo a rattling good send-off in prose and verse and wild, skirling music from our own particular chanter."

**Steamer Purchased.** May 14.—"The British Steamship Torrington, 1563 tons, purchased at auction on Thursday by the Hon. C. P. Chater for \$33,000, after undergoing a thorough overhaul, will be employed carrying coal between Hongkong and this port, for which trade she is admirably suited. We understand that the output from the Hongkong mines will be very materially increased within the next few weeks."

**A Postal Matter.** May 18.—"We never knew, were never able to guess why Mr. Travers was placed in charge of the local Post Office. He was not a regular member of the Civil Service—that is to say he passed no examination at Home or, elsewhere, had no claim whatever on the Colonial Office, was 'jobbed' in the most barefaced manner into a billet of the Colonial Secretary's office by his uncle, Sir Arthur Kennedy, was dismissed for incompetency as private secretary by Governor Pope Hennessy—he was a legacy left to Hennessy by 'Uncle Arthur,' which His Excellency failed to appreciate and publicly said so—was reported to have been rejected as Deputy Superintendent of Police when Mr. C. V. O'neill left the colony, and he had no experience in postal affairs until made assistant to the late Mr. Alfred Lister, an able but eccentric man who had mistaken his vocation. And Mr. Travers celebrated his being 'jobbed' into the Postmastership by discovering, what everybody had known from time immemorial, that a very convenient method of conducting correspondence with Macao existed without troubling the post-offices of either colony. So the law was partially enforced—the omniscient Postmaster had to very quickly take back his veto on newspapers, which are now conveyed in days of old—inconceivable inconvenience has been caused both here and in Macao, and we are now informed that the result of the new broom's attempt to make a big hit is 'a trifling addition to the local revenues.' Will the Hon. Mr. Whitehead, or any other of the Unofficials, kindly question the Government as to the exact amount of this 'trifling addition to the local revenue,' so that the mercantile community may be able to appraise the respective values of what they have lost and what the Government gained?"

### TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

A Ministry of Health, now under discussion, came within an ace of being established half a century ago, says the Manchester Guardian. At that time such public health services as we could boast were in a state of chaos, the various Acts being administered by different departments, with the Privy Council as the only real authority. From 1859, however, the Council had in its medical adviser, John Simon, a man of remarkable ability who was determined upon the entire sanitary reform of the country, and as a means to that end dreamed of having his department established on an independent basis, presided over by a Minister of State. The terrible cholera outbreak of 1866 aided him by thoroughly frightening the public. Sanitary reform was at last admitted to be of urgent necessity, and when the Duke of Buckingham and Chandos became Lord President of the Council in 1868, Simon induced him with his ideas and gained his active support. Had the Duke remained in office, the Ministry of Health would undoubtedly have become an accomplished fact, but on his removal to the Colonial Office the project fell to the ground, and in 1871 the Sanitary Department of the Privy Council was one of the "congeries of atoms" brought together under the new Local Government Board.

Anybody who has a liking for that sort of thing may now buy a battlefield, for there are offers in the advertisement columns of the French press of a large area of the Somme, an additional attraction being the fact that it is cut by both Allied and enemy trenches. One may assume that when the war ends, the attention of the armies will be turned to filling up the trenches and making the land fit for agricultural and other purposes, so that the person who buys the battlefield will not be able to show his possessions to more or less morbid tourists on payment of a fee. There is likely to be a large number of those tourists, especially from America, and one feels that the French Government might quite legitimately make some profit out of them. For some time arrangements have been made by enterprising tourist people in New York for tours to the battlefields immediately on the cessation of hostilities and the support which they have received is said to have been good.

An ex-M.P. in the Law Courts the other day said that by virtue of his former membership of the House of Commons he had a right to use the inner lobby of the House, to use House of Commons notepaper, and to take it away for the use of the Commercial Committee of the House of Commons. He further said that he had bought about forty reams of the notepaper from the Stationery Office for some semi-official use. Ex-M.P.'s are, of course, entitled to use the inner lobby, and may frequently be seen there, as the House exercises a strange fascination over most men even after they have left it. But even more valuable is the privilege of using House of Commons notepaper, for in these days paper is not too plentiful, and that supplied so freely in the House is of excellent quality. To those who know the House of Commons the prodigality of the Government in the matter of notepaper is extraordinary, and members of the Press Gallery are allowed to use, for the transcription of their notes, paper the quality of which would do credit to a duchess. Indeed, the all-round prodigality suggests a profitable field for inquiry and retrenchment.

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## THE HINDENBURG GENIUS.

## Fulsome Praise from the Kaiser.

His Imperial Majesty the Kaiser is reported from Amsterdam to have sent the following telegram to Marshal von Hindenburg:—

"In this, your decision, you again show proof of your great talents as a general, and it occupies a worthy place next to your great success in the East."

"By it, a new base has been laid for the further direction of the War."

"The smooth, regular course of all measures effected so far, is again a new glory for the work of my chief command."

Sending telegrams is a habit of the Kaiser's, but after the messages have been despatched, he sometimes regrets his action. He may possibly come to do so in this instance, for on reflection it will hardly appear that the withdrawal on the Somme is a legitimate cause for congratulation.

Marshal von Hindenburg has always been a lucky general. In the first month of the war he was called from the half-pay list to take over the command in the East Prussian district which had been his constant study throughout his military career. He gained an opportunity of entangling his enemy in an impossible position, and thus secured the only decisive victory won in the first months of the war. Thanks to this success he was appointed to the chief command on the Eastern front, and in this post, by determination and tenacity, aided by the efforts of a zealous and competent staff, he was able to retain the prestige which he had so fortunately obtained, though the main military operation on this front was achieved by his rival von Mackensen. Finally he was called to the chief command when von Falkenhayn was disgraced in consequence of the failure at Verdun, but he has not yet performed any exploit to increase his reputation. The Roman drive stands mainly to the credit of von Mackensen and von Falkenhayn, and Verdun is still French. In December he was inviting the Allies to bite the granite of the German wall in the West; now he has himself destroyed that wall, and abandoned many miles of French territory.

Certainly if a retreat to a previously prepared position is a suitable cause for Imperial telegrams of eulogy, other generals in this war have scarcely received their deserts. Hindenburg's predecessor, as Chief of the Great General Staff, von Moltke, also conducted a retreat from the Marne to a prepared position on the Aisne, but instead of congratulating him, the Kaiser removed him from his post. Are we to believe that the German armies are only in France because they see no possibility of leaving the country and that Hindenburg's achievement in evacuating the Bismarck-Personne-Noyon line, has opened up for them a new vista of hope? Surely, the Germans can have but little to rejoice their hearts if they make so much of such a meagre cause for congratulation. The Allies have conducted retreats under far more difficult circumstances than Hindenburg has; the retreat from the Belgian frontier to the Marne in August, 1914, and the withdrawal of the Russians from the Dnieper in 1915, were each far more critical operations extending over a much greater area, and without a position previously entrenched by slave labour as a goal, and yet the Allies did not claim the fact that their Armies were intact at the end of these movements as a great victory. If the fact that few prisoners are taken is to be established as a criterion of a successful retirement, then nothing Hindenburg has done is equal to the evacuation of Gallipoli, accomplished without the loss of a man. Certainly the Marshal has won his master's praises easily.

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## A Year-Old Debt.

A man bearing evidence of rough usage, having a cut over one eye and his nose considerably cut of joint, charged a woman before Mr. J. E. Wood, at the Police Court this morning, with assault. Defendant stated that she lent the man 10 cents about a year ago, and yesterday she met him and asked him for the money. Some words followed, and complainant hit her with a basket. She replied by soundly belabouring him with a wooden clog. His Worship ordered the woman to pay a dollar compensation.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

## NOTICE.

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## G. R. MAGISTRACY.

IT IS HEREBY notified in accordance with Section 15 of the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911, Ordinance No. 9 of 1911, that the following application has been received by the Licensing Board, viz:—

From WILLIAM H. ELLERMAN for a Publican's Licence to sell by retail intoxicating liquors at the premises No. 2 Pak Siu Wan, Shau Ki Wan Road, under the sign "North Point Hotel."

G. A. WOODCOCK,  
Secretary to the Licensing Board,  
Hongkong, 18th May, 1917.

## G. R. ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

TENDERS are invited for the supply of Carpenters, Caulkers, Platers, Plumbers, Painters, Scrapers, Shoemakers or Leatherworkers, to H. M. Naval Yard.

Forms of Tender can be obtained at the Chief Constructor's Office, H. M. Naval Yard, Hongkong, and should be filled in and returned as indicated in Tender Form not later than NOON, THURSDAY, 31st May, 1917.

C. D. J. BELL,  
Chief Constructor.

## G. R. PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS.

of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 29th day of May, 1917, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Two Lots of Crown Land at Causeway Bay, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at Crown Rents to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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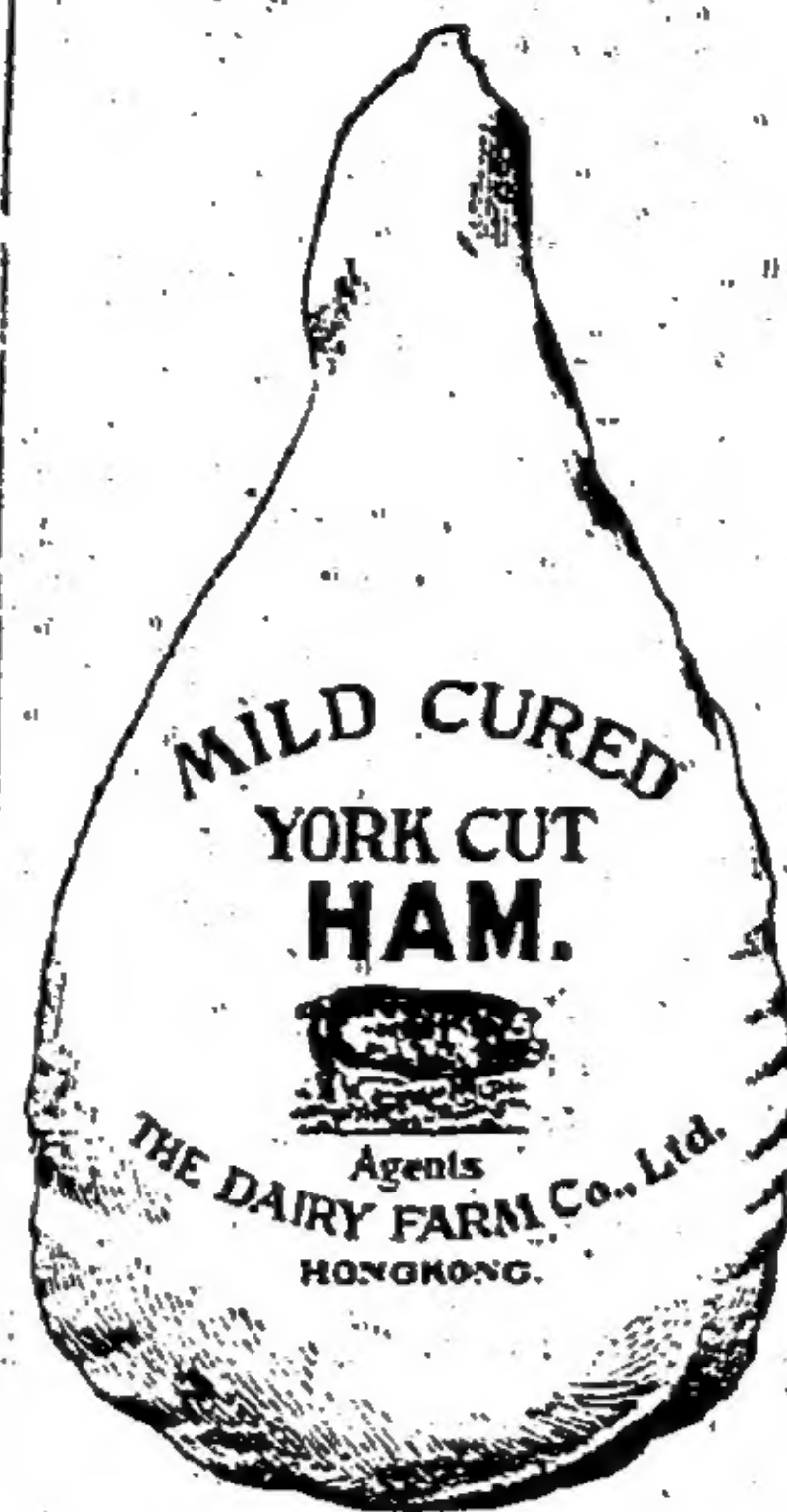
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By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. S. BROWN,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 19th May, 1917.

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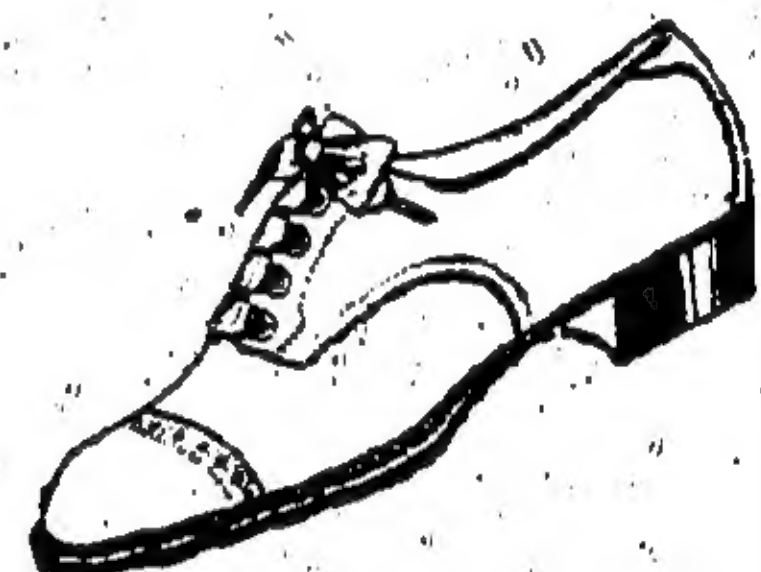
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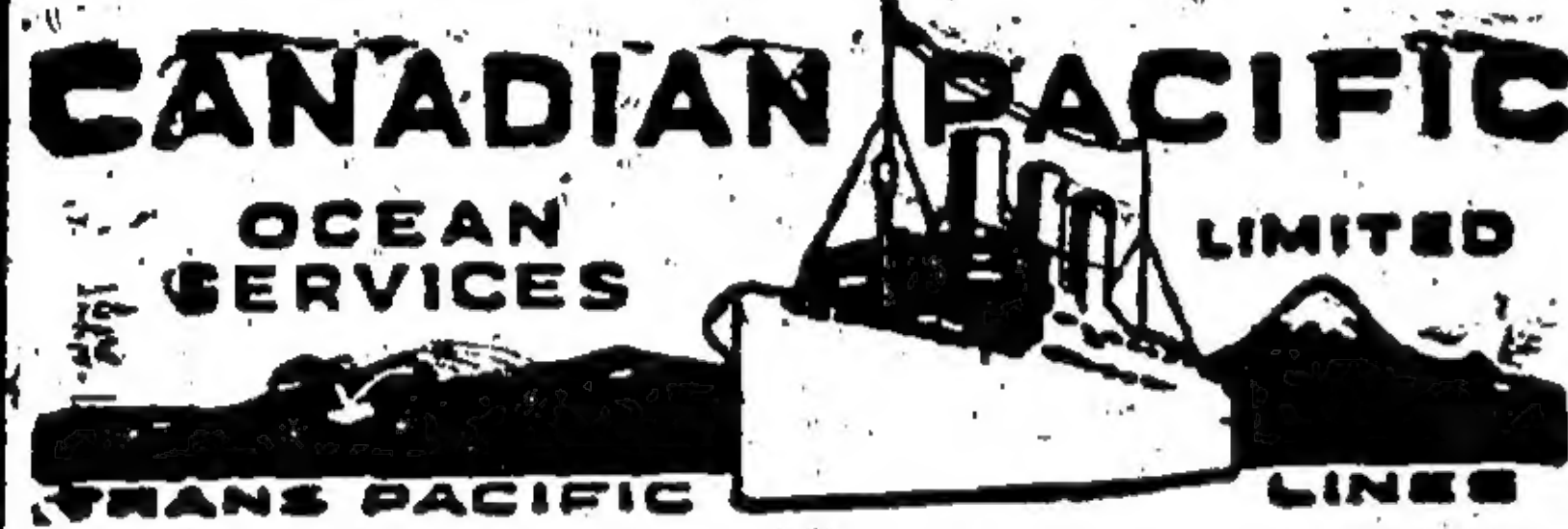
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# THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH EXTRA

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1917.

## TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to The "Telegraph."]

### IMPERIAL RECONSTRUCTION.

London, May 17.

The Times, commenting on General Smuts' speech says:—He had, we may conjecture, his full share in the happy establishment of cordial relations between the representatives from the Dominions and India. General Smuts had not entered into the possibility of more complete constitutional developments for the Empire. He agreed to a special conference after the war to settle the problem, and feels, no doubt, that it may be left there for the moment. We are not disposed to quarrel with this discretion. The people of this country would do well to reserve judgment on that matter and pay grave attention to what General Smuts said about the future security of the Empire. There is real need for his reminder to bear in mind not merely Central Europe but the British Empire when the peace settlement comes. There is a tendency here to concentrate upon the problems of Europe and leave the rest of the Empire to shift, more or less, for itself. This will not do any longer, and General Smuts is absolutely right to tell us so frankly."

## UNION CHURCH.

### Dedication of New Organ To-morrow.

The dedication of the new organ which has been installed in the Union Church will take place to-morrow morning, the service being conducted by the Rev. C. J. Kirk Macconachie.

The project for a new organ, to replace the old one, has been under consideration for a long time past, and about a third of the necessary funds were already in hand some few years ago, and towards the considerable balance necessary the congregation has responded liberally to appeals. The former instrument had more than served its time, and had been in use for some years, before its erection here, in St. John's Cathedral. Whether it was absolutely new when it was first brought into the Colony, no-one seems to know, but, some ten years ago, large repairs and extensions were made, so that it had been in good working order. A number of new and effective stops were added, and some of these have advantageously been incorporated in the present instrument. Apart from this, the organ to be dedicated to-morrow is absolutely new, and it is safe to say that, if it is not the largest instrument in the Colony, it is the finest. Its principal features will be variety of tone and power, combined with sweetness. It is a three-manual organ and is fitted with up-to-date mechanism. Built of the very best materials, it is a fine addition to the church. The builders are Messrs. Blackett and Howden, and Mr. Blackett has supervised its erection. Some difficulty has been experienced owing to the absence of skilled labour, but this has been overcome, and, despite the bad weather conditions of the past week, the work has been completed in very satisfactory manner.

It might be mentioned here that the front of the organ presents a very nice appearance, for in place of the old painted and gilded pipes, plain pipes of a very fine quality now face the congregation. The old organ pipes were painted because they were not good enough to stand by themselves, but the present pipes, which are made of the finest pipe-metal, an alloy of tin and lead, have been cast so as to bear a grain, and it would be as great an artistic crime to paint these as it would be to paint blackwood or mahogany.

In order to cope with our extremes of climate, several deviations from standard practice have been introduced and great care has been taken in every detail with this end in view: for instance, all the action squares and backfalls are of phosphor bronze instead of wood as ordinarily.

## ELEGY.

Oh weep for Sigismund, he is departed;  
Let fall the teardrop as he lies in state.  
He is no more, and I am broken-hearted,  
The most unhappy author of his fate.  
For, as I sat all wrapped in Sunday languor,  
I felt his sharp caress upon my breast;  
I slapped him, more in sorrow than in anger,  
And he incontinently beat it West.  
My friend, who clung e'en closer than a brother,  
(Blood-brother in a very literal sense)  
Whence can I ever find me such another?  
And mournful echoes sadly answer—whence?  
Farewell to him, wherever Fate has given.  
His lot to live beneath another sky;  
And he it is in some fair sandy heaven  
To feed on even fatter folk than I!  
E. W. H.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

### ARRIVED.

Fucheng, Chinese, s.s. 960, A. B. Baines, 19th May.—Shanghai, 15th May, Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.

Yungshiu, Chinese, s.s. 999, Jones, 18th May.—Saigon, 18th May, Rice—Order.

Kaifong, Br., s.s. 987, Evans, 18th May.—Haiphong, 16th May, Gen.—B. & S.

Telemachus, Br., s.s. 1350, Fraser, 18th May.—Saigon, 14th May, Rice—Chinese.

Chenan, Br., s.s. 1336, Wavell, 18th May.—Shanghai, 17th May, Gen.—B. & S.

### PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

FUCHENG.  
Vannometer

Through the kindness of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire here, the organ was brought out free of freight by Messrs. Alfred Holt and Co. Mr. W. O. Blackett came out specially to erect and finish the organ, arriving here on March 15. The specification of the new organ was drawn up with great care and consideration by Mr. E. J. Chapman. It may be mentioned that there are no feeders, the wind being supplied by a Discus fan driven by a 2 h.p. electric motor at a pressure of 4½ inches on the main and pea reservoirs, and 3½ inches on the manual reservoirs. It is controlled by a push button at the keys. The whole of the blowing plant is the gift of Major D. Macdonald.

A special form of service will be used to-morrow morning, and it is expected that a large congregation will be present. His Excellency the Governor and Lady May are attending.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong.—20th May, 1917, Sunday after Ascension. Holy Communion (7.50 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.) Responses: Festal. Venite: Turner. Psalms: Hayes, Ouseley. Te Deum: Turle, Goss, Turle, (27th evening). Jubilate: Troutbeck (27th morning). Anthem: "Turn Thee again." Attwood. Holy Communion (12 noon.) Hymn: 147. God Save the King. N.B.—Psalm 102, verses 1, 12, 15, 21, 25, 28 in unison. Psalm 103, verses 1, 4, 17, 19, 22 in unison. Evensong: (6 p.m.) Responses: Festal. Psalms: Old Melody. Travers. Magnificat: Garrett (7th morning). Nunc Dimittis: Felton. Hymns: 149 (T. 304), 207, 21.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.—Sunday after Ascension Day. 20th May 1917. Holy Communion at Morning Service. Morning Prayer 11 a.m. Responses, Festal. Venite, Tucker. Chant No. 288, W. A. Psalms: Psalm CII Ouseley Chant No. 210. Te Deum: Woodward, Smart and Turle. Jubilate: Troutbeck, Chant No. 286. Kyrie: Mendelsohn. Hymns: 226, 238, 249 (Part 3), and 242. God Save the King. Evening Prayer 6 p.m. Responses: Festal. Psalms: Psalm CIV Verses 1-23 Chant No. 216. Verse 24 to end, Chant No. 217. Magnificat: Beethoven, Chant No. 284. Nunc Dimittis: Gilbert, Chant No. 292. Hymns: 248, 235, and 247. Vesper Hymn. God Save The King.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Sunday Services, May 20. Opening of New Organ. Morning 11. Dedication Service. Psalm 100, Chant: Te Deum. Anthem: "Hearken Unto Me," Sullivan. Hymns: 1, 18, National Anthem. Evening 6. Anthem: "The Radiant Morn," Woodward. Hymns 91, 249, 221, 371. Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macconachie.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.—8 a.m. Holy Communion. 10.20 a.m. Sunday School. 11 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon. Preacher: Rev. W. T. Featherstone.

The Gospel Hall.—(No. 10 and 12 Pedders Street). Weekly Services:—Sunday. Breaking of Bread, 11 a.m. Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Exposition of Scripture, 8 p.m. Thursday, Bible Class, 8 p.m. Friday, Bible Class for Ladies, 5.30 p.m. Saturday, Prayer Meeting, 8 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.—Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m. Sunday Evening Service 6.15 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Arsenal Street.—Sunday Evening, Gospel Services 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.—Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glencahy.—Low Masses at 6, 7, and 9.30 a.m. High Mass at 8 a.m. 5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

First Church of Christ Scientist.—MacDonnell Road. Sundays, 11.15 a.m. Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

### Mr. W. M. Hughes on Luxuries.

Mr. Hughes, the Australian Premier, replying to a deputation of the Australian Protectionist Association, said that there was need for action to bring home to the people the fact that we were at war. He was unable to see any justification for under five millions of people to import silks valued at £1,500,000 in six months and over £2,000,000 worth of motor-cars. The Government had power to prohibit the importation of luxuries, and the matter would be considered with a view to early action.

## REGISTRATION OF PERSONS.

### A New Schedule.

An order made by the Governor-in-Council under the Registration of Persons Ordinance, 1916, states that the First Schedule (of persons exempted from registration) to the Ordinance, is repealed and the following schedule is substituted therefor:—

- (1.) Members of His Majesty's Regular Naval or Military forces.
- (2.) Consular Officers of Foreign States.
- (3.) The wives and daughters of persons included in the two classes specified above so long as such persons are resident in the Colony.
- (4.) Persons of Chinese Race.
- (5.) Persons not exceeding 18 years of age.

Note.—Any person who has already registered prior to the making of this order will not be required to re-register.

## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 19th at 11.25—No returns from Japanese stations. Pressure has decreased slightly over the Philippines, and remains practically stationary elsewhere; expect in the vicinity of Shanghai, where a slight increase has occurred.

An anticyclone probably extends from the China coast to the Bonins, and relatively low areas cover S. Manchuria and the south part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 15.53 inches, against an average of 17.80 inches.

### FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock.	E. winds, moderate to fresh; fair to cloudy.
2 Formosa Channel.	N.E. winds, fresh.
3 South coast of China bet. H.K. and Lamook.	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China bet. H.K. and Hainan.	The same as No. 1.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant.  
Hongkong Observatory, May 19, 1917.

## V.C.'S. RECORD.

### Details Would Help the Enemy.

There have been many speculations as to the nature of the gallant deed which obtained the V.C. for Lieut.-Commander Gordon Campbell, R.N. When a notice appears in the *London Gazette* announcing the conferment of this decoration, a short account of the circumstances is appended. In the case of Lieut.-Commander Campbell, however, no notice was inserted in the *Gazette*, and the only intimation that he had received the V. C. came in the shape of an announcement that it had been conferred upon him by the King.

It may be stated that the services rendered by Lieut.-Commander Campbell have been of the utmost value both to the Navy and to the defence of the country, and have fully earned the Victoria Cross. But it has not been considered desirable at the present moment to say anything further, although they are well known and fully appreciated in naval circles. Any detailed statement would only give valuable information to the enemy.

The latest V. C. is a cousin of Sir John Bruce Stuart Campbell, Bart., of Ardnamurchan, who is now a major on active service with the Royal Scots. His father is Colonel Frederick Campbell, R.A., now commanding the Argyll and Bute Territorial Artillery.

### Distinguished Visitor.

Sir Noel Thomas Kerahaw, K. O. B., accompanied by Lady Kerahaw, has arrived in the Colony. Sir Noel has been Assistant Secretary to the Local Government Board since 1899.



## WAR MATERIALS.

### THE PRIORITY SCHEME.

Arrangements for Its Application to Hongkong.

The following correspondence is published in the *Government Gazette* by command. Any enquiries in connection with it should be addressed to the Director of Public Works, from whom forms of application may be obtained:—

Downing Street,  
25th January, 1917.

Sir,—I have the honour to inform you that the Minister of Munitions has had under consideration the procedure which should be adopted in the case of orders from Colonies not possessing Responsible Government and Protectorates for the supply from the United Kingdom of machinery and other materials (such as steel, tin-plates, copper wire, etc.) for which there is a demand for war purposes.

2. The position is that these materials cannot be supplied, either for home use or for exportation, without a certificate from the Ministry of Munitions, and that licences for their exportation will not be granted by the War Trade Department unless such a certificate is produced. It is, however, difficult for the Minister of Munitions in many cases to decide whether such a certificate should be granted for an order from one of His Majesty's overseas possessions without fuller knowledge than he possesses as to the urgency of the demand in the Colony or Protectorate for the material in question and the possibility of meeting the demand from other sources (e.g., from local stocks or countries other than the United Kingdom, or by the use of substitutes), and he therefore wishes that a procedure should be adopted by which all such orders from Colonies and Protectorates could in the first instance be examined locally.

3. You should, therefore, as soon as possible appoint a Committee, or (if the number of such orders is likely to be inconsiderable or other difficulties exist) some officer, to whom all persons having orders for the materials in question to be supplied from the United Kingdom would in the first instance make application. The application would be made on a standard form, which is being prepared, and copies of which will be forwarded as soon as possible. The Committee or officer would examine the application from the points of view mentioned in the preceding paragraph and would furnish their advice by an endorsement upon the form of application. The form would then be returned to the applicant, who would forward it to the intending supplier of the material in the United Kingdom, and the supplier would apply for the necessary certificate to the Ministry of Munitions, with whom the decision would rest. In the event of any application being received by the Ministry of Munitions unaccompanied by the recommendation of the local authority, the applicant would be informed that no action would be taken until he had obtained the recommendation of that authority.

4. In the event of a Committee, not an individual officer, being appointed it would be advisable that it should contain representatives of the trading community, and it would also be advantageous if it contained one or more of the engineering officers of your Government.

5. This procedure would not apply to materials actually required by Colonial Governments. In such cases the Crown Agents for the Colonies would support the application to the Ministry of Munitions and no recommendation from the local authority would be required.

6. Detailed memoranda explaining the principles on which applications should be dealt with by the local authority are in course of preparation, as well as a list specifying the exact materials to which the arrangements will apply.

7. I shall be glad if you will inform me by telegraph what authority you have appointed for this purpose, in order that the

necessary announcement may be made in this country, and if you will at the same time state how many copies of the form of application referred to in paragraph 3 and the memoranda mentioned in paragraph 6 should be supplied for the use of that authority.

I have, &c.,  
WALTER H. LONG.

Telegram from the Governor, Hongkong, to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated 3rd April, 1917:—"Your circular despatch of 25th January, Director of Public Works appointed Munitions Priority Authority."

Extract from circular despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the Governor of Hongkong, dated 14th February, 1917:—"4. I take this opportunity to state that the Minister of Munitions is anxious that merchants and the general public in British overseas possessions will co-operate with him by (a) endeavouring to do without such supplies as need priority, and (b) realizing that priority is only refused with great reluctance in order to conserve the 'maximum' supplies for hastening the Allied victory and a satisfactory peace. I shall be glad if you will give publicity to this request."

Ministry of Munitions of War.  
Priority.

1, Caxton Street,  
Westminster, S. W.

23rd January, 1917.

Sir,—I am directed by the Minister of Munitions to refer to the Conference held on 7th December, 1916, with respect to the setting up of a Local Priority Authority in the British Dominions and Dependencies.

Some of the proposed Local Authorities have already been constituted, and immediately the necessary particulars as to the persons to whom, and the addresses to which applications should be made, are to hand, the Minister will announce publicly, and cause instructions to be issued that no applications for Priority Permits will henceforth be considered, except upon the receipt of the proper forms duly countersigned by the proper person, or persons. It is assumed that a similar announcement will be made in each Dominion or Dependency.

It was agreed at the Conference that a uniform form of application should be used, and copies of the form that would be convenient to the Ministry of Munitions are forwarded herewith. Each Dominion or Dependency may print the forms to suit its own purposes, with such pages of additional instructions or particulars as may be necessary.

It will be observed that it is contemplated that there should be three copies of each application—one to be used by the applicant for passing on to the merchants or manufacturers, two to be forwarded direct by the Local Priority Authority to the Ministry of Munitions, Priority, 1, Caxton Street, Westminster, London. The first mentioned form bearing the authority and classification of the Ministry of Munitions will be returned to the exporter or manufacturer in the United Kingdom, one of the other two will be returned for purposes of record to the Local Priority Authority, and the other will be filed at the Ministry of Munitions.

Where there is any exceptionally strong case of urgency, or a supply that is deemed to be specially important, the Local Priority Authority should indicate fully the reasons for special consideration, and the latest date by which delivery must be pressed for.

There may also be cases so urgent and important that an order has to be placed by cable, and if the Local Priority Authority deems it necessary to send a strong cable, it will be given the most immediate and sympathetic consideration by the Ministry of Munitions.

Each Local Priority Authority will adopt a scheme of reference for filing purposes and when a cable is sent the references of the application, which is following by the next mail, should be clearly indicated.

All communications relating to applications that have at any time been before the Ministry of Munitions should bear the full reference of the Priority of the Minis-

## COMPANY REPORT.

Peak Tramways Company Ltd.

The report of the directors of the above company for the year ending April 30, 1917, states:—

The net profit for the twelve months, after deducting directors' fees and General Managers' remuneration and providing for loss on subsidiary and silver coins, amounts to... \$22,032.06

To which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account 1,509.92

Making available for appropriation ... \$23,541.98

The directors recommend that a dividend at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$21,000,000, and that the balance of \$2,541.98 be carried to a new Profit and Loss Account.

Directors.—During the year, Hon. Mr. David Landale resigned on leaving the Colony, and his place was filled by Hon. Mr. O. E. Anton. In accordance with Rule 73 of the Company's Articles of Association, Dr. J. W. Noble, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. C. S. Gubbay, Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., and Hon. Mr. O. E. Anton retire, but being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. C. Bernard Brown and A. R. Lowe, who offer themselves for re-election.

try, so that there may be no delay or confusion in referring to the previous papers.

It will always be open for the Local Priority Authorities, or the respective Governments, to take action in cases of special difficulty or importance through the representatives of the Dominions or Dependencies.

Some Dominions or Dependencies may desire not to make application for railway supplies, or direct Government orders through the Local Priority Authorities, and though it would be very desirable for the Ministry of Munitions if all or most applications are put forward by one authority, still there will be no objection to other arrangements, as to which full information should be furnished. Even in such cases, however, it is desirable that the same procedure forms should be used for the applications.

Questions have been raised as to the kinds of materials or articles that the Local Priority Authorities would have to deal with. The best reply to those questions is that the arrangement only applies to such materials or articles as it is necessary to obtain Priority Permits for. There is a fairly general knowledge by now as to when priority assistance will be necessary.

What has happened hitherto, and will continue to happen, is that when the merchants or manufacturers receive preliminary inquiries, or are invited to tender or accept orders, the inquirer is informed by the merchant or manufacturer if a Priority Permit will be necessary.

It would be only after such an intimation that the inquirer would find it necessary to apply to the Local Priority Authority.

Copies of some of the pertinent existing orders relating to materials are forwarded herewith for the information and guidance of the Local Priority Authorities.

It is intended that the Local Priority Authorities shall be kept posted as to any new restrictions or orders.

The Minister of Munitions most earnestly appeals for the patriotic temporary sacrifice of their own interests by the merchants and public of the Dominions and Dependencies in:—

(a) Endeavouring to do without such supplies as priority is necessary for;

(b) Realizing that priority is only refused with great reluctance in order to conserve the maximum supplies for hastening the Allied victory and the satisfactory peace.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,  
EDGAR R. JONES,  
Priority.

## TO-NIGHT'S BIG FIGHT.

Prospects of A Fine Contest.

Probably not so much interest has ever been evinced in a fight as in the one which is to take place to-night—between Corpl. Scott, R. E., and Seaman Craig, of the American Navy. So far as can be gathered, the betting is pretty even, a little more money perhaps being put on Scott. Of course, this is really no indication as to who is the better man, the soldier's fighting being well-known in the Colony, whereas very few people indeed have had the opportunity of seeing the seaman even sparring.

Although we have not had an opportunity of seeing Craig in training, we had a chat with him this morning and he was looking in tip-top form. There is no shadow of doubt that Scott is going to have no easy time in the ring to-night. The seaman has been somewhat handicapped owing to the fact that he has only been able to put in about five days' training, whereas, on the other hand, Scott, being always on shore, has had the opportunity of keeping in form with outdoor sports. Craig, since he signed the articles, has allotted two hours a day in the gymnasium and has made the most of what time was given to him to bring himself up to pitch. Even now he will enter the ring weighing some 200 pounds, when he ought, if in strict training, not to scale more than 180 for a fight of this kind. He has also suffered from a lack of partners to spar with, Royal, of the American Navy, being the only one able to give him any practice. Notwithstanding that the seaman is extremely hopeful that he will win the scrap, he is fully aware that Scott is no mean opponent, and he is certainly not going to allow any latitude. Both men will fight with four-ounce gloves.

### Golf Competitions.

Attention is directed to the announcement of Whitesandide competitions in connection with the Royal Hongkong Golf Club. An excellent series has been arranged.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

"EMPIRE DAY."

MEMBERS and Subscribers are notified that the Club will be thrown open to their Lady Friends on THURSDAY next, Empire Day, from 11.30 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Ladies to which Ladies may be invited will be served at 1.15 P.M. A Band will be in attendance. Members and subscribers may engage tables for lunch after NOON, on MONDAY the 21st inst., at the Secretary's Office.

By Order,  
E. DES VŒUX,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1917.

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SATURDAY, 19th MAY, 1917.  
10.00 p.m. Fatshan. 4.30 p.m. Kinshan.

SUNDAY, 20th MAY, 1917.  
10.00 p.m. Kinshan. 4.00 p.m. Fatshan.

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San Francisco via Japan	Tjisondari	J.C.J. L.	11, June
San Francisco via Japan	Nippon M.	T. K. K.	12, June
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Shanghai, and Kobe	Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	18, May
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Manila	Yuensang	J. M. Co.	19, May
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Shanghai	Yingchow	B. & S.	9, May
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Manila	Kashima M.	N. Y. K.	25, May
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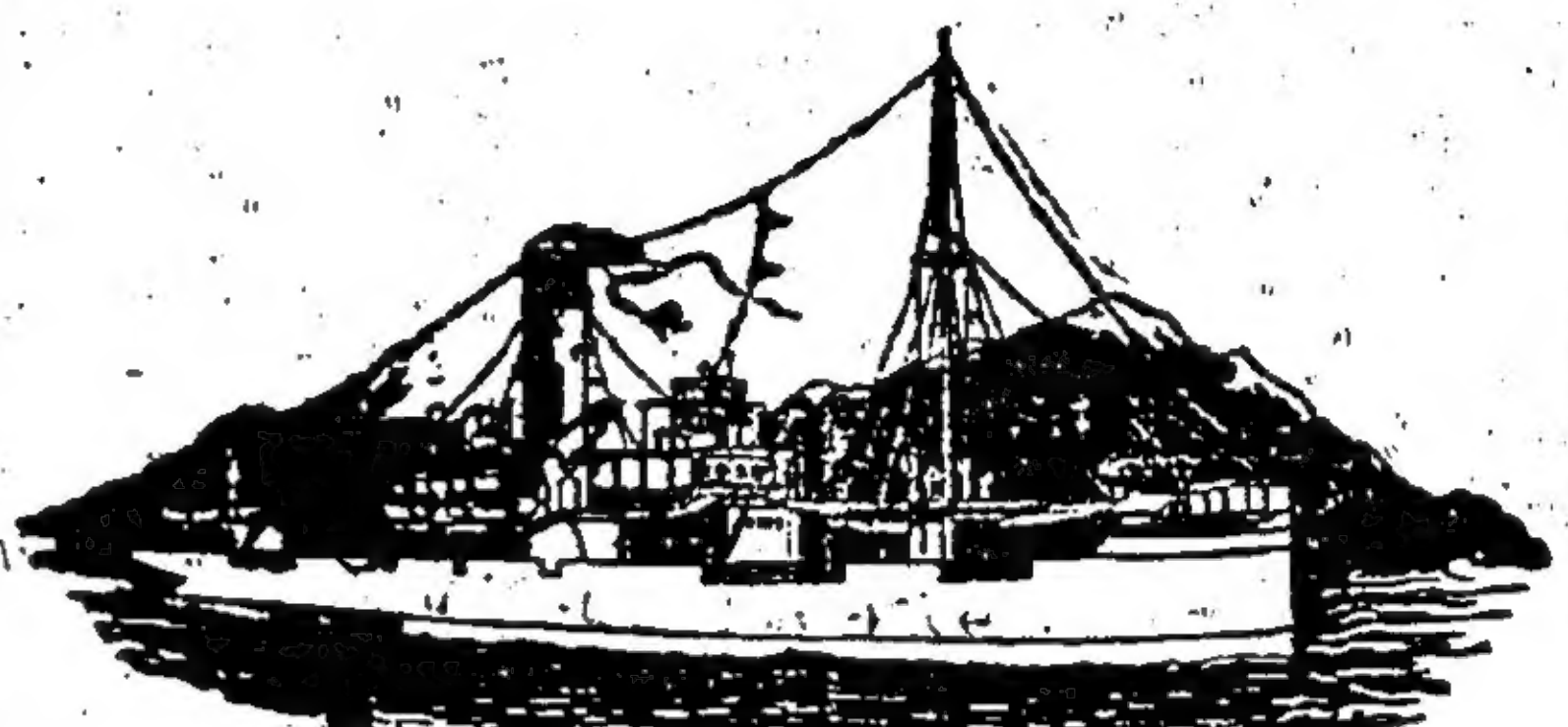
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their risk into the Hazardous

and/or extra Hazardous Godowns

of the Hongkong & Kowloon

Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.,

Kowloon, at stored at Consig-  
nees' risk and expense.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby

notified that they must produce

an Import permit signed by the

Superintendent of Imports and

Exports, Hongkong before Bills

of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and dam-  
aged goods are to be left in the

Godowns, where they will be

examined on Wednesday, May

23rd, at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented

within a month of the steamer's

arrival here, after which they

cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted

after the goods have left the

Godowns and all goods remaining

undelivered after May 24th,

1917, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever

will be effected.

Consignees are requested to

send in their Bills of Lading for

countersignature immediately

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.

R.C. MORTON,

General Agent.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1917.

## CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

KONINKLYKE PAKET-

VAART MAATSCHAPPY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From SINGAPORE

THE Steamship

"s JACOB."

having arrived from the above

port, Consignees of cargo by her

are hereby notified that all

Goods are being landed at their

risk into the Hazardous and/or

extra Hazardous Godowns of the

Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf

and Godown Company, Ltd.,

whence and/or from the Wharves

delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 2nd

May, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged

packages are to be left in the

Godowns, where they will be ex-  
amined on the 22nd May,

1917, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer

must be presented in writing

within ten days after arrival of

steamer, otherwise they will not

be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be ef-  
fected by the undersigned in any

case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be coun-  
tersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Agents.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1917.

## CONSIGNEES.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From KOBE.

THE Steamship

"s.s. TIBODAS."

having arrived from above port

Consignees of Cargo by her are



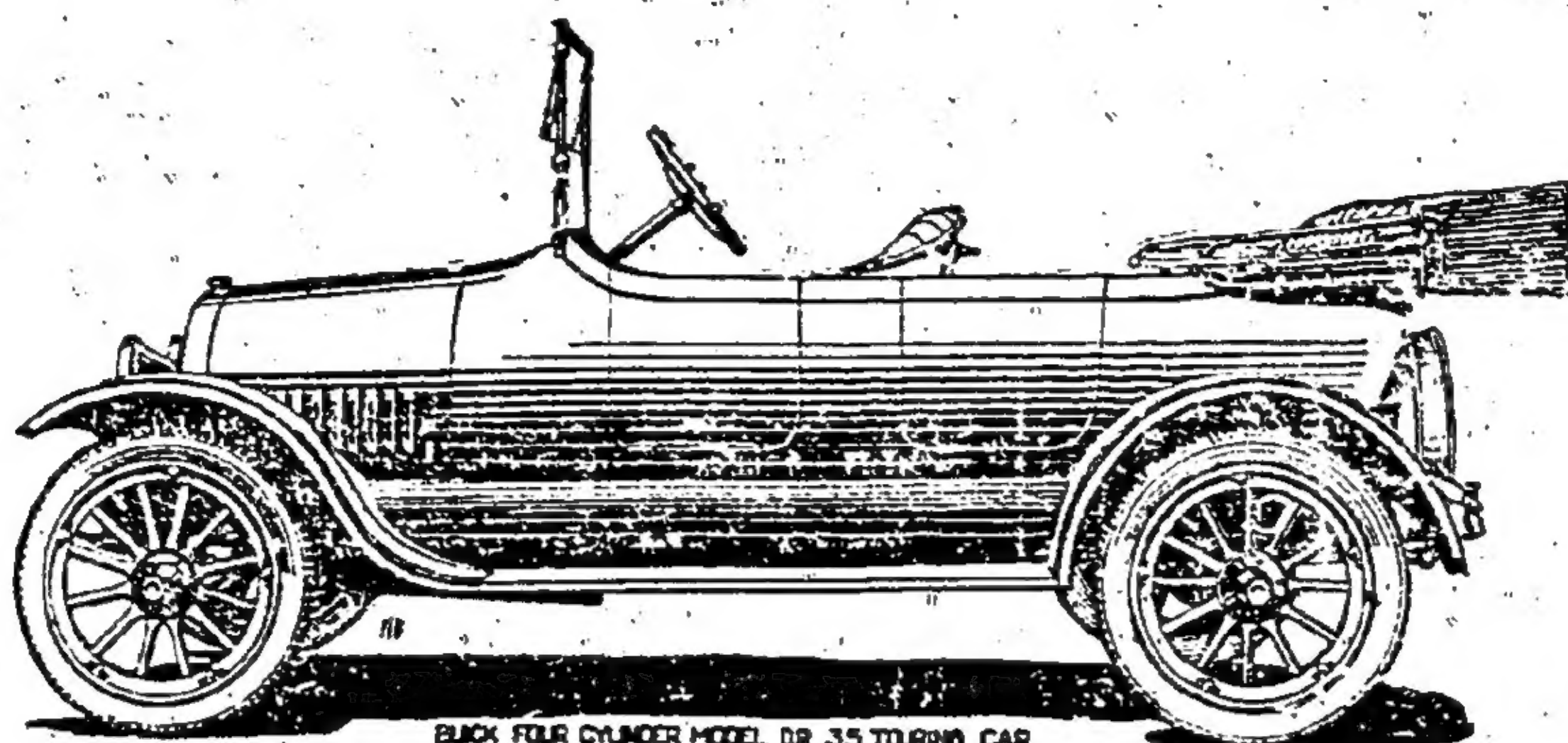


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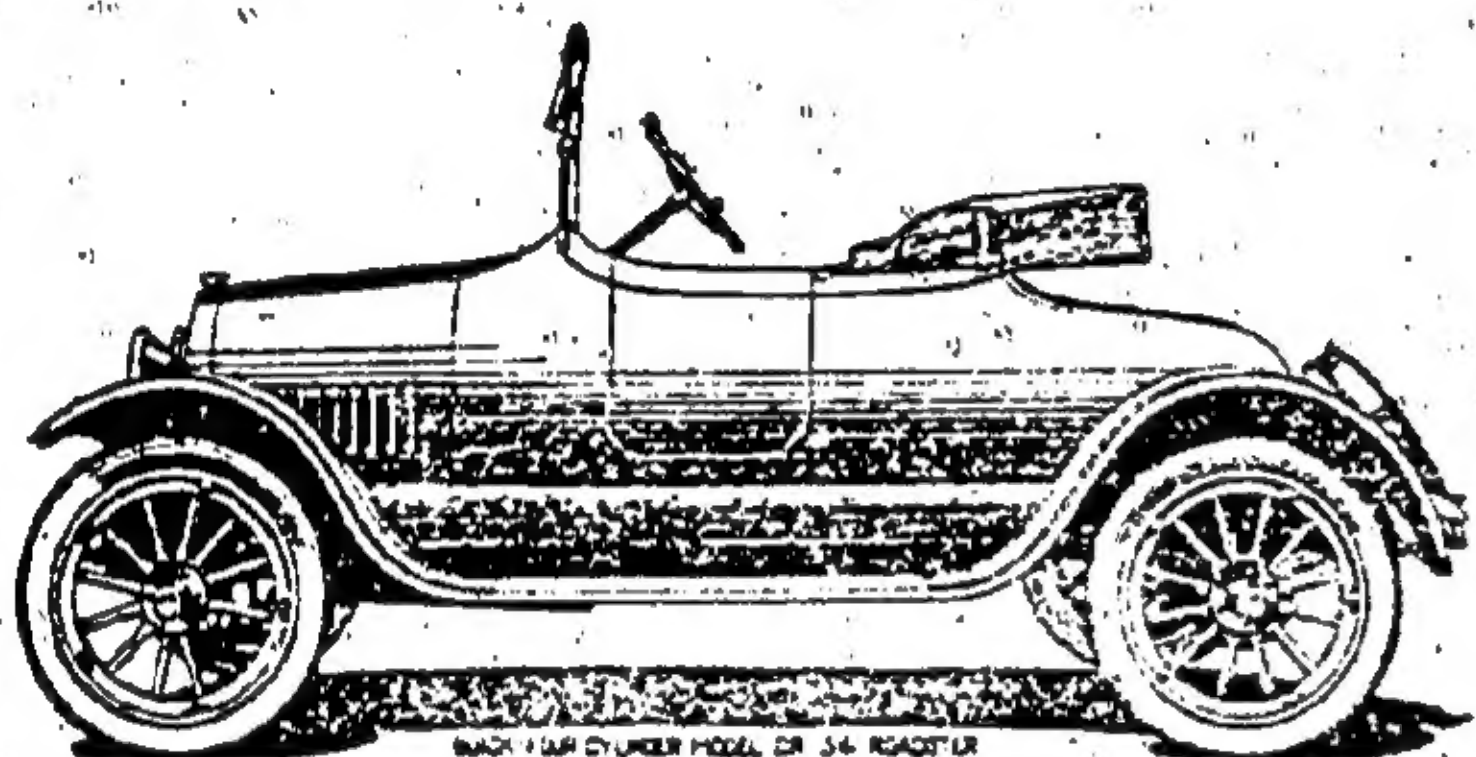
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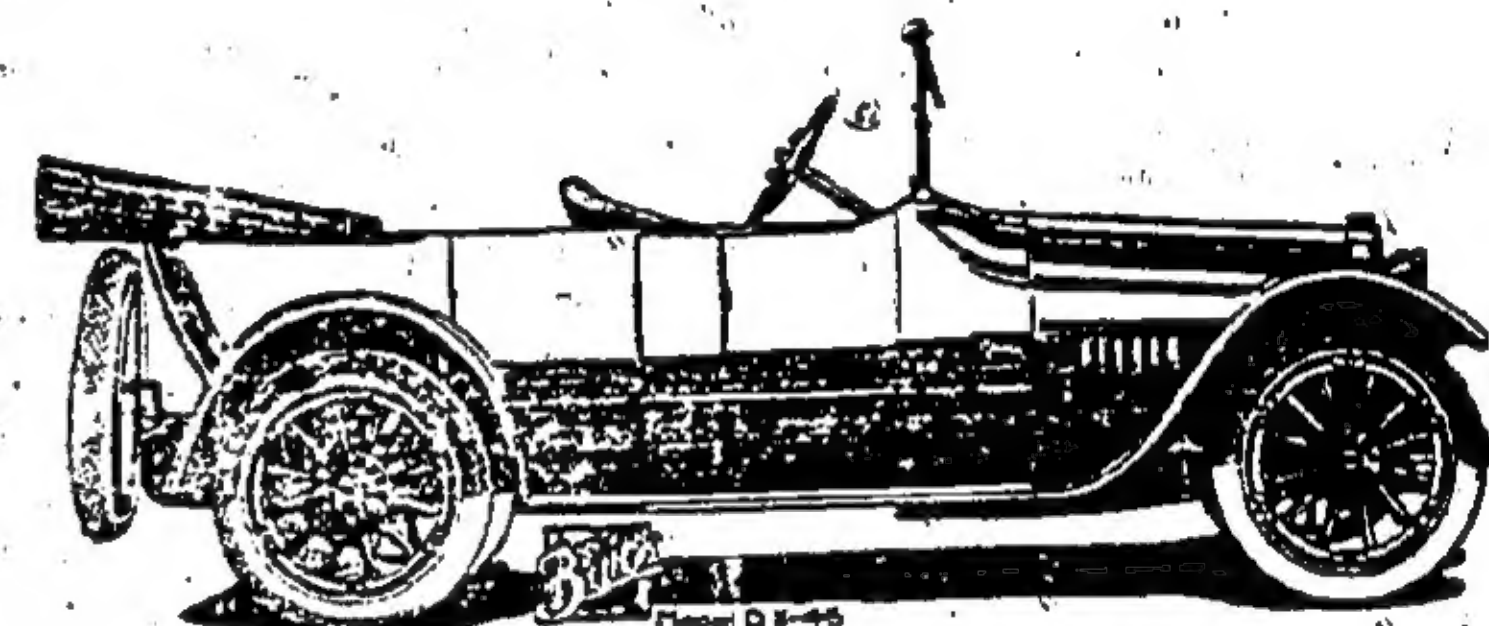


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## HONGKONG TRADE.

### Report for the Last Fortnight.

We take the following from the Fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce under date of May 18:—

**Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.**—Since our last report a very limited business has been done in staples. Prices on this side show a slight improvement. Some sales are reported in plain and figured poplins and black satteens. Our Market for the latter has strengthened appreciably but the enhanced rates are largely due to speculation on the part of native buyers. The latest quotation for Spot Mid. American is 19.974.

**Cotton Yarn.**—During the past fortnight yarn values have hardened further to the extent of \$5 to \$8, and in some cases even \$10, according to demand. The causes of the advance are the weakness of Exchange and continued difficulties in financing shipments from India. Quotations are:—No. 10s at \$130/182, No. 12s at \$140/158, No. 16s at \$160/195. Arrivals 600 bales. Sales 2,000 bales. Shipments nil. Unsold stock 5,000 bales. Bargains 15,000 bales.

**Canton Silk.**—Messrs. Herbert Dent and Co. report under date of April 30 as follows:—Stock:—500 bales. Market:—Silk:—This circular covers a period of three weeks to the end of this month and the end of the silk season 1916 to 1917. Exchange has remained fairly steady. Settlements of ready silk for Lyons amount to about 1,200 bales and for America to 800 bales. Old crop silk is now practically finished.

Prices for the last 4 or 5 days show a slight advance but dealers have not been able to raise prices appreciably. The new crop silk is already in hand and will probably be on the market before the end of next month. First expectations formed pointed to a good yield but constant rain during the last few days is said to have caused some damage. A further rise in freight to Europe has been circulated amounting to \$1 sterling per cent. to London and Continent. Waste:—There have been some large settlements at rather lower prices. Stocks are said to be nearly exhausted.

**Metals.**—Tinplates have considerably advanced and could not be purchased locally for less than \$41. Steel plates are about \$22.00, the market being firm. Steel Bars are quiet. Flats about \$14 to \$15. Round at \$13. Lead is firmer \$21 to \$22.

**Flour Market Report.**—American Market: rising. Japanese Market: prospect of advance. Local Market: flat, very little doing but strong. Estimated stocks, American flour 35,000, Japanese 125,000, Chinese 50,000. Total about 200,000 sacks. Quotations: American Patent, \$4.85 per sack; American Out off, \$3.65; American Straight, \$3.30; Japanese 2nd Patent, \$3.13; Japanese 3rd Patent, \$3.13; Japanese Straight, \$3.30; Chinese Straight, \$3.30.

**Sugar.**—Market slightly weaker.

## FRIENDS OF THE GERMANS.

### Subscribers to Fund For Huns in Great Britain.

About a year ago we were able, says John Bull, to give a list of names of some subscribers to the funds of the Emergency Committee to assist Germans and Austrians in this country. Perhaps it is now aiding Turks and Bulgarians also, but of that we have no definite knowledge. In its first year—up to July, 1915—more than \$14,000 was collected to help enemy subjects in Great Britain, and we printed the names of some of the people who found the money.

Included among them were the Cadburys, Lord Halsbury, Lord Courtney, Lord Dickinson, Norman Angell, Sir E. Speyer, Sir E. Schiff, Baron Schroder, and the British German Friendship Society. The second year of the Committee's activities has been even more productive of funds for the Huns among us. Up to June 30th, 1916, a further sum of \$17,500 came in, a very large number of the subscriptions being anonymous. But some of the gentry concerned have not blushed to be named, and we append this list of names and amounts:—Mr. Barrow Cadbury, \$250; Cadbury Bros., \$1,300; Sir Ernest Cassel's Administration, \$200; Mr. G. Lowe Dickinson, \$15; Rt. Hon. W. H. Dickinson, M.P., \$4 4s; Viscount d'Aldame, £50; Sir James Keckitt, \$1,320; Mr. Joseph Rowntree, £270; Baron Bruno Schroder, £600; the Right Hon. Sir John Simon, K.C., M.P., £25; Mr. Aneurin Williams, M.P., £10; Rt. Hon. J. W. Wilson, M.P., £10.

It is, we think, a highly interesting list, and, somehow, the names are just the ones we should expect to find among those

## THE "SUI AN."

### Her Reconstruction Complete.

The Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., have had a trial trip with their steamer Sui An, which has been under course of reconstruction, at the yard of Messrs. Kwong Tack Co. since the beginning of the year. The superstructure has been completely rebuilt of steel frames and plated bulkheads and the accommodation follows the style of the s.s. Tai Shan, of the same Company. Much credit is due to the contractors for turning out such good and substantial work. Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, local surveyors, and Captain Connor, of the Company, supervised the rebuilding. The Steamboat Company is to be congratulated on the acquisition of a modern and up-to-date river steamer specially adapted to the Hongkong and Macao trade.

The Sui An will relieve the steamer Tai Shan for docking purposes on Monday, the 21st instant after which, she will resume her regular run on the Hongkong-Macao Line in place of the s.s. Sai Tai, which will be transferred to the Macao-Canton Line in due course.

sager to open their purses for the benefit—not of their own suffering people—but of those dear Huns who live in this land among us. \$17,500 is not a bad year's haul; we should have been glad to see it paid out to help British prisoners abroad, or even into the War Loan. One cannot blame so much the Cassels, Schroders, Speyers, and Schiffs; they do at least stick to their own race. The others, born British, are deliberately financing that Committee to supply cash to our enemies.

## BAGDAD UNDER BRITISH RULE.

### Proclamation by General Maude.

Lieutenant-General Sir Stanley Maude issued a proclamation at Bagdad of which the following is the English text:

To the People of Bagdad Vilayet:

1. In the name of my King, and in the name of the peoples over whom he rules, I address you as follows:

2. Our military operations have as their object the defeat of the enemy, and the driving of him from these territories. In order to complete this task I am charged with absolute and supreme control of all regions in which British troops operate, but our armies do not come into your cities and lands as conquerors or enemies, but as liberators.

3. Since the days of Halaka your city and your lands have been subject to the tyranny of strangers, your palaces have fallen into ruins, your gardens have sunk in desolation, and your forefathers and yourselves have groined in bondage. Your sons have been carried off to wars not of your seeking, your wealth has been stripped from you by unjust men and squandered in distant places.

4. Since the days of Midhat the Turks have talked of reforms, yet do not the ruins and wastes of to-day testify the vanity of those promises?

5. It is the wish not only of my King and his peoples, but it is also the wish of the great nations with whom he is in alliance, that you should prosper, even as in the past, when your lands were fertile, when your

ancestors gave to the world literature, science, and art, and when Bagdad City was one of the wonders of the world.

6. Between your people and the Dominions of my King there has been a close bond of interest. For 200 years have the merchants of Bagdad and Great Britain traded together in mutual profit and friendship. On the other hand, the Germans and Turks, who have despoiled you and yours, have for 20 years made Bagdad a centre of power from which to assail the power of the British and the Allies of the British in Persia and Arabia. Therefore the British Government cannot remain indifferent as to what takes place in your country now or in the future, for, in duty to the interests of the British people and their Allies, the British Government cannot risk that being done in Bagdad again which has been done by the Turks and Germans during the war.

7. But you, people of Bagdad, whose commercial prosperity and whose safety from oppression and invasion must ever be a matter of the closest concern to the British Government, are not to understand that it is the wish of the British Government to impose upon you alien institutions. It is the hope of the British Government that the aspirations of your philosophers and writers shall be realised, and that once again the people of Bagdad shall flourish, enjoying their wealth and substance under institutions which are in consonance with their sacred laws and their racial ideals.

In Hijaz the Arabs have expelled the Turks and Germans who oppressed them, and proclaimed the Sherif Hussein as their King, and his Lordship rules in independence and freedom, and is the Ally of the nations who are fighting against the power of Turkey and Ger-

many; so indeed, are the noble Arabs, the Lords of Kuwait, Nejd and Asir.

8. Many noble Arabs have perished in the cause of Arab freedom at the hands of those alien rulers, the Turks, who oppressed them. It is the determination of the Government of Great Britain and the Great Powers allied to Great Britain that these noble Arabs shall not have suffered in vain. It is the hope and desire of the British people and the nations in alliance with them that the Arab race may rise once more to greatness and renown among the peoples of the earth, and that it shall bind itself together to this end in unity and concord.

9. O people of Bagdad, remember that for 26 generations you have suffered under strange tyrants, who have ever endeavoured to set one Arab house against another in order that they might profit by your dissension. This policy is abhorrent to Great Britain and her Allies, for there can be neither peace nor prosperity where there is enmity and misgovernment. Therefore I am commanded to invite you through your nobles and elders and representatives, to participate in the management of your civil affairs in collaboration with the political representatives of Great Britain who accompany the British Army, so that you may be united with your kinsmen in North, East, South, and West in realising the aspirations of your race.

### Billiards.

The final in connection with the Palace Hotel billiards handicap is to take place on Monday at 9 p.m. between Mr. Budge (own 100) and Mr. Murphy (own 20). At 7 p.m., Mr. S. Gray and Mr. P. May will play off for the third prize.



## SHARE REPORT.

## COMPARATIVE SHARE QUOTATIONS.

S.—SELLING; SA.—SALES; B.—BUYERS; N.—NOMINAL.

To-day's Closing Price	STOCK	Number of Shares	Par Value	Paid Up	1915. Highest	1915. Lowest	1916/7. Highest to Date	1916/7. Lowest to Date	Last Dividend and Date
n. 1705	Banks.								
	H.K. & S'hai Banking Corp.	120,000	\$125	all	845 Sept.	785 May	880	680	Int. Div. of £2.3/- at ex 2/1/- = \$20.54 Fin. & Bonus, £2.13/- at ex 2/4/- = \$23.13 making £42.66 for 1916. Paid 26/2/17.
n. 1350	Marine Insurance.								
	Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	10,000	\$250	59	427 1/2 Sept.	340 Jan.	426	350	Final Div. of \$7 making \$25.50 for 1915, and interim of \$18 a/c 1916.
n. 1150	North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$15	25	180 April	145 Jan.	180	150	Final Div. of 15% making 27 1/2% for year ending 30/6/16.
n. 1870	Union Ins. S'ity of C'ton, Ltd.	12,400	\$250	100	972 Aug.	760 Jan.	\$1005	\$855	Final Div. of \$20 and bonus of \$10 making \$30.00 for 1915. Int. of \$30 for 1916 Paid 26/4/17.
sa. ex 73 1/2 1217	Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	12,000	\$100	60	280 Dec.	200 Jan.	300	217	Final Div. of \$15 for 1915, and Interim \$3 for 1916. Paid 14/4/17.
b. 1146	Fire Insurance.								
b. 1325	China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$100	20	163 Aug.	127 1/2 April	168	146	\$7 & \$2 bonus 1916. Paid 26/4/17.
	H'kong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$250	59	420 Sept.	385 Jan.	420	325	\$27 for 1915. Paid 29/3/17.
sa. 182	Shipping.								
n. 117.60	Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	all	104 1/2 Dec.	28 1/2 Mar.	137	80	Int. Div. of \$5.00. Paid 4/4/17.
sa. & b. 110 1/2 109 1/2	H'kong C. & M.S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	all	23 1/2 May	19 Dec.	24	17 1/2	\$1.25 for year ending 31/12/16 Paid 13/3/17.
n. 109 1/2	Indo-China (Combined Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.)	60,000	\$5	all	172 Dec.	62 1/2 Jan.	190	171	Final of 3/- on Pref. and 40/- on Def. Shares at Ex. 2/4/- Paid 10/5/17. making 6% on Pref. & 30% for Def. a/c 1916.
n. 109 1/2	Shell T'port & T'ing Co., Ltd.	3,797,610	\$1	all	68 Oct.	54 Aug.	55	40	Interim of 2/- for 1916 (Coupon 27).
b. 133	Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	40,000	\$10	all	39 1/2 Oct.	23 July	41	31 1/2	\$1.65 Div. and 45 cents bonus for year ending 30.4.16
sa. 1110 & 108 1/2 110 1/2	Refineries.								
n. 110 1/2	China S. Refining Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$100	all	134 1/2 Sept.	80 Jan.	146	100	\$12 for 1916. Paid 31/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	Malabon S. Refining Co., Ltd.	14,000	P. 30	all			41	29 1/2	\$5 for 1916. Paid 15/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	Mining.								
n. 110 1/2	Kailan Mining Admin'n.	1,000,000	\$1	all	35 1/2 April	30/- Dec.	36 1/2	26 1/2	Interim Div. of 1/- year end. 30/6/17. Payable 15/5/17. (Coupon 9).
n. 110 1/2	Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	4.40 Mar.	2.40 Jan.	3.35	1.70	1/2 for 1909.
n. 110 1/2	Tronoh Mines Ltd.	160,000	\$1	all	25/- Dec.	32/6 Mar.	42/6	27/-	1/- interim making 4/- for a/c 1916 paid 26/10/16.
n. 110 1/2	Ural Caspian	796,666	\$1	all	43/- April	25/- Jan.	38/9	25/-	Final Div. of 4/- making 5/- for a/c year ending 12/11/15 paid July 1916.
n. 110 1/2	Docks & Wharves, Godown & C.								
n. 110 1/2	H'kong & R.W. & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	82 Oct.	65 April	90	71	Div. of \$4 & Bonus \$2 for 1916. Paid 22/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	H.K. & W. D. Co. Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	90 Oct.	56 Mar.	135	78 1/2	Final Div. \$2 1/2. Bonus \$6.00 making \$11 for year 31/12/16. Paid 27/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	S'hai Dock & Eng. Co., Ltd.	55,700	\$100	all	65 1/2 Sept.	49 July	92 1/2	59	Tls. 7 for year ending 30.4.16
n. 110 1/2	S'hai & H'kew W. Co., Ltd.	36,000	\$100	all	100 Dec.	60 April	93	73	Tls. 5 for 1916. Paid 12/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	Land, Hotels and Buildings.								
n. 110 1/2	H'kong Hotel Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	all	124 Feb.	108 Dec.	118	100	\$3 for 1 1/2 year ending 31.12.16 Paid 17/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	H'kong Land Investment Co.	50,000	\$100	all	114 Jan.	103 Dec.	105 1/2	91	Final Div. of \$3 1/2 making \$7 for year ending 31/12/16. Paid 29/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	H'breys Estate & F. Co., Ltd.	100,000	\$10	all	7 1/4 Jan.	6 July	7.10	6.25	50 cents for 1916. Paid 12/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	K'loon Land & B'ing Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	10	44 Jan.	40 Sept.	38	33	\$2 for 1916. Paid 10/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	Shanghai Lands.	78,000	\$50	all	57 Mar.	107 Dec.	107	80	Final Div. of 6% making 12% for 1916. Paid 15/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	West Point Building Co., Ltd.	15,500	\$50	all	68 1/2 Mar.	77 Dec.	90	69	Final Div. of \$3.25 making \$5.25 for year ending 31/12/16. Paid 29/1/17.
n. 110 1/2	H'kong Central Estates.	10,000	\$100	all	103 Dec.	99 Jan.	103	93	\$7.00 for year ending 31/12/16 Paid 29/1/17.
n. 110 1/2	Cotton Mills.								
n. 110 1/2	Ewo Cotton S. & W. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$50	all	180 July	117 Jan.	167	130	Tls. 0.90 for year ending 30.11.16
n. 110 1/2	Sung Yik	75,000	\$100	all	16 1/2 July	13 Feb.	16 1/2	11 1/2	Tls. 1.50 for year ending 30.11.16
n. 110 1/2	Laou Kung Mow	8,000	\$100	all	90 1/2 Sept.	72 Jan.	81	63	Tls. 12 for 1913. Paid 13.2.14.
n. 110 1/2	Shanghai Cottons.	40,000	\$50	all	100 May	77 Jan.	125	81	Dividend of Tls. 6 for year ending 30.6.16 paid 29/9/16
n. 110 1/2	Yangtze Paper Co.	175,000	\$5	all	6 1/2 Oct.	6 1/2 Dec.	6 1/2	4 1/2	7% s/c Pref. for 14 Months ending Dec. 1915
n. 110 1/2	Miscellaneous.								
n. 110 1/2	China Paper Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	all	11 1/2 Apr.	5 1/2 May	10.35	8.00	60 cents for year ending 28.2.06
n. 110 1/2	China Light Power Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$5	all	3.65 Mar.	4.95 Oct.	4.90	4.30	70 cts. for 1916. Paid 23/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	Lo. (Spec. shares)	50,000	\$1	all					\$3 for year ending 31/7/16 paid 31/10/16.
n. 110 1/2	China Paper Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	7 1/2 Jan.	10.15 Oct.	10.10	8.10	80 cts. for 1916. 27/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	China Paper Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$7 1/2	6	35 Jan.	29 Dec.	41	23	\$3 for year 24/2/17. Paid 9/5/17.
n. 110 1/2	Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	400,000	\$7 1/2	6	11.20 Oct.	5.20 Jan.	12.10	7.90	Fin. Div. \$9 making \$11 for year 1916. 29/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	all	45 Oct.	31 1/2 Feb.	55	43	Final Div. \$1. Bonus \$1. making \$3 for 1916. Paid 10/3/17.
n. 110 1/2	Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	6,500	\$25	all	190 Dec.	183 Oct.	190	151	Int. Div. 7% at 2/1/- = 16.7 Fin. "23% 2/4/- = 48. making 64.7 cts. for 1916. Paid 25/4/17.
n. 110 1/2	Hongkong Rope Mfg. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	all	34 1/2 Dec.	25 Jan.	41	29	Tls. 1 for 1916. Paid 28/4/17.
n. 110 1/2	Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	325,000	\$5	all	6 Oct.	5 Apr.	7.50	5 1/4	70 cts. on fully paid shares and 7 cts. on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.16
n. 110 1/2	Langkate	250,000	\$10	all	43 1/2 May	35 Mar.	40 1/2	16 1/2	\$1.25 per share for year ending 31.12.16. Paid 3/2/17.
n. 110 1/2	Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. (Old)	25,000	\$10	all	10 1/2 Mar.	9.30 June	10.25	9 1/2	70 cts. for 1916
n. 110 1/2	Do (New)	10,000	\$10	all	1.00 Mar.	80 cts. Aug.	1.00	60 cts.	50 cts. on old shares and 25 cts. on new shares for year ending 30.6.14
n. 110 1/2	Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$5	all	4.25 Jan.	3 June	3.80	3 1/2	\$2 for 1916
n. 110 1/2	Union Water-boat Co., Ltd.	27,723	\$10	all	18 Jan.	16 Dec.	17	14	
n. 110 1/2	Watson and Co., Ltd.	90,000	\$10	all	7.10 Mar.	6.50 Oct.	7.70	6	
n. 110 1/2	William Powell, Limited.	11,000	\$7	all	6.90 Aug.	6 Dec.	7 1/2	5 1/2	
n. 110 1/2	S. C. Morning Post	6,000	\$25	all	28	18	29	28	
n. 110 1/2	H'kong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	7,808	\$10	all			10	9 1/2	

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## SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, in their share report dated Friday, the 18th of May, 1917, state:—Our last report was dated the 11th instant, and in the interval our market has been quiet with only a small volume of business passing. Shipping shares have come into favour again and there is a much better enquiry for both Deferred Indos and Douglases. Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have also been in better demand. Investment stocks have again been practically neglected, with very few sales reported. The Shanghai market remains lifeless. There was a somewhat better demand at the beginning of the week for Cottons, but at the close the market seems easier, and Shanghai Cottons have been done at Tls. 12 1/2. Yangtze paper has buyers, however, at Tls. 5.80 and Kungyiki, after sales at Tls. 14 1/2, are wanted at this rate. Langkate could be placed at Tls. 17. Shanghai Docks have improved, and sales have been made up to Tls. 92. The Singapore market remains unchanged with prices practically the same as last week. Plantation rubber comes through at 3/0 1/2 market steady.

BANKS.—A small business has been done at \$795 and \$710.

MARINE &amp; FIRE INSURANCES.—Insurance shares have been neglected all the week, with no sales reported. At the close Unions at \$870, Cantons at \$350, North Chinas at Tls. 150, are all nominal, whilst there are buyers of Hongkong Fires at \$325 and China Fires at \$148.

SHIPPING.—Douglases have been sold at \$82, and at the close have buyers at \$81 1/2. Deferred Indos have had a steady rise all the week and are wanted at the close at \$109 1/2. Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats after sales at \$17 1/2 could be placed at this rate, probably a little higher would be paid. Star Ferries have improved to a buying quotation of \$32 1/2. Shells have come to business at 109 1/2.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have again been a dull market. Sales have been made at \$110 and \$108, and there are sellers at the close at \$100. Malabons are nominal at \$30 1/2.

OILS & MINING.—Rubber is nominal at \$2.65. Tronchs are still on offer at 27 1/2. Kailans have improved to a buying quotation of \$11 1/2 on the dividend of 1/- paid on the 15th instant. Langkate are in demand at Tls. 17.

DOCKS & WHARVES.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks after sales at \$122 are now wanted at \$123. Kowloon Wharves have sellers at \$80. Shanghai Docks have improved to a buying quotation of Tls. 92.

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.—We have again no sales to report under this heading. Hotels could be placed at \$190, and Humphreys Estates at \$6.25, whilst Centrals at \$99, Hongkong Land at \$97 and Kowloon Land at \$38 are all nominal. West Point has sellers at \$78 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cement has had a further set back, business having been done at \$7.90, but at the close there are buyers at this rate. Low Level Trams after sales at \$6.70 have buyers at \$6.60. Electricities have been placed at \$49 and \$50, and there are more enquiries at the former rate.

Dairy Farms have been sold at \$23. Powells are on offer at \$6.50. Ropes are wanted at \$27 and Steam Laundries at \$3.40. Watsons after sales up to \$6.80 have buyers at \$6.75. China Lights at \$4.75, Providents at \$8, Borneos at \$8 and Union Waterboats at \$16 are all nominal.

FORWARD SETTLEMENT DAYS.—30th May (Wednesday), 28th June (Thursday), and 27th July (Friday).

EXCHANGE.—Opens to-day at 2 1/4 T. T. on London, and 10 1/2 T. T. on Singapore. The Bank's 3/4 buying rate on Shanghai is 87.

COMPANIES' NOTICES, MEETING, ETC.

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD. and Reduced.—Transfer Books of the Company closed from 14th May to 14th June, both days inclusive. The return of Capital of \$3.00 per share will be paid on and after the 29th May, 1917, on presentation of Share Certificates for endorsement.

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## NOTICES.

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED.

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MARTIN'S APOLAR STEEL PILLS.

## EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, Friday, 18th May, 1917.

SELLING.	BUYING.
T/T ..... 2/4 1/2	4 m/s. Marks ..... Nom.
Demand ..... 2/4 11/16	4 m/s. Francs ..... 3.36
30 d/s ..... 2/4 1/2	6 m/s. Francs ..... 3.41
60 d/s ..... 2/4 1/2	Demand, Germany ..... 3.41
4 m/s. .... 2/4 15/16	Demand, New York ..... 56 1/2
T/T Shanghai ..... Nom.	T/T Bombay ..... Nom.
T/T Singapore ..... 101 1/2	Demand, Bombay ..... Nom.
T/T Japan ..... 110 1/2	T/T Calcutta ..... Nom.
T/T India ..... Nom.	Demand, Calcutta ..... Nom.
Demand, India ..... Nom.	Demand, Manila ..... 113 1/2
T/T San Francisco ..... 56 1/2	Demand, Singapore ..... 101 1/2
co & New York ..... 56 1/2	On Haiphong ..... 34 1/2 prem.
T/T Java ..... 137 1/2	On Saigon ..... 32 1/2 prem.
T/T Manila ..... Nom.	On Bangkok ..... 64 1/2
T/T Marks ..... 3.24	Sovereign ..... 8.30 Nom.
T/T Francs ..... 3.24 1/2	Gold Leaf, per oz. .... 48.20
Demand, Paris ..... 3.24 1/2	Bar Silver, per oz. .... 38.90

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GEORGE HOGG, Manager.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1916.

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